THE WEATHER
Forecast for Lowell and vicinity: fair followed by snow late tonight, warmer tonight, Friday, cloudy probably with snow, light northeast winds increasing in force.

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MAN KILLED BY GAS

Two Men Overcome in Tyler Street Room

James Corrigan Died at Hospital James Moran, the Other, May Recover

James Corrigan, aged 20 years, is dead at St. John's hospital and James Moran, about 22 years of age, is in a serious condition, as the result of gas poisoning at the former's room at 52 Tyler street. Both young men were discovered this morning and immediately removed to the hospital where Corrigan died shortly after his arrival, though it is expected that Moran will recover.

Corrigan worked for Fred Burns who conducts a lunch cart at the corner of Paige and Bridge streets, and went home this morning about 4.30 o'clock. Moran, who resides in Chippewa street, went to Corrigan's room with the intention of staying there all night. After getting in they played cards for a while and in all probability retired about five o'clock this morning.

This morning while several carpenters were passing through the hall they discovered a strong odor of gas and informed the boarding mistress, Mrs. Cullen. She went up to the floor where Corrigan's room was located and found the odor of gas very strong. She told one of the men to break open the door and when he did so he found Corrigan on the floor in his night clothes while Moran was lying on the bed.

The ambulance was summoned and both men were removed to St. John's hospital, and upon their arrival at the hospital Dr. James B. O'Connor started to examine them. At first sight it was seen that Corrigan was in a hopeless condition and the attention of the doctor was directed to him, but he had inhaled too much of the deadly gas and expired shortly after his arrival.

The case of Moran was not so serious and the doctor is of the opinion that he will recover, though he is still in bad shape.

A representative of The Sun called at 52 Tyler street shortly after the accident and saw the room which was occupied by the two young men. It was a very small one with one window and one gas light, it being on the side of the wall.

Mrs. Cullen who runs the house stated to the reporter that when her attention was called to the odor this morning, and after getting into the room, she found the gas turned on full force and the window closed. Also that the shade and side curtains had been torn from their fastenings.

Without doubt Corrigan, who was found on the floor, felt himself being overcome by the gas and made an attempt to open the window and had succeeded only in tearing down both curtains, but did not have the strength to open the window when he was overcome and dropped to the floor where he was found.

Mrs. Cullen stated to the reporter that the gas which supplied the house went through out of the automatic meters which a quarter of a dollar was dropped into at a time.

In all probability the young men went to bed and left the gas turned on and during the night the gas supplied for one quarter ran out and the gas was shut off. Probably this morning when some of the occupants of the house arose they found the gas out and some person dropped a coin in the meter causing the gas to come on, and as the cock in Corrigan's room was open the gas came on full force. At any rate the cock in Corrigan's room was found open and this is the most probable theory advanced, though Mrs. Cullen stated to a reporter that she did not know of any person going to the meter and putting any money in it.

Corrigan was 20 years of age and for the past few years has been employed by Mrs. Burns. He leaves a father and grandmother residing in Summer street and a brother who is in the regular army and stationed at Fort Slocum, N. Y. He also has an uncle who is a foreman at Horne's coal yard.

SEPARATE FINES

Imposed Upon Man in Police Court

Judge Hadley handed out a rather unusual sentence to Joseph Conley in police court today. Conley was charged with drunkenness, assault and battery and when his record was read it was shown that he has failed to provide proper support for his wife. Conley was the guest of Robert Welch last evening and he went with Welch to the latter's boarding house at 32 George street.

What happened after his arrival there was told the court by Mrs. James Brown, the woman whom Conely assaulted. Mrs. Brown said that she met the defendant, Mr. Welch and a woman going up stairs and she objected, because the woman was with them. Conley took objections to her objections and struck her.

"Where did he hit you?" asked Judge Hadley.

"In the hall," replied Mrs. Brown.

"Where upon your person?" asked the court.

"On the shoulder," replied Mrs. Brown, "and he also struck my baby. I had my baby in my arms and he struck both of us. I was not hurt very much. I called my husband and when he appeared on the scene Conley struck him."

Mrs. Brown's husband corroborated her story. Conley said he had no recollection of what had taken place in the house. If he struck the woman, he said, he must have been intoxicated. The whole affair was a blank to him. He was ordered to pay a fine of $5 for assault and battery, $5 for drunkenness and $20 for neglect.

ALLEGED BOGUS COLLECTOR.

Stories appeared in the morning papers to the effect that one Charles Sargent had been arrested by Officer Ryan yesterday afternoon while trying to solicit money for alleged schemes. No such charge was pressed against Sargent in police court today. He was charged with drunkenness and was fined $2.

THE DRUNKEN OFFENDERS.

John E. Corcoran and Thomas Smith were fined $6 each. Seven first offenders were fined $2 each.

Victor Gordon, 15 charged with being a stubborn child, had his case continued to Friday.

CHANNING FRATERNITY

OFFICERS ELECTED FOR ENSUING YEAR.

The regular meeting of Channing Fraternity was held last night and the principal business of the meeting was the election of the following officers for the ensuing term:

President, Rev. C. T. Billings; vice presidents, George L. Hooper, H. R. Fletcher, Mrs. Henry J. Fay, Mrs. D. Dana Bartlett.

Secretary, Mrs. E. J. Clark.

Treasurer, Albert S. Guild.

Editor of Year Book, Mrs. Henry J. Fay.

Committee on culture: Rev. C. T. Billings, F. A. Fisher, Mrs. E. Ellingwood, Miss Clara Beard, Miss Jennie Allen, Miss Helen Lane, Dr. Edwin E. Kinney, Miss Adelaide Baker, George L. Hooper, Miss Fannie Mansur.

Committee on hospitality and benevolence: Walter Coburn, Henry J. Fay, Edward Carney, Harold Nickerson, Mrs. Chris. Holmes, Mrs. C. W. Wilder, Mrs. A. G. Swapp.

Committee on missions: Frank E. Dunbar, C. H. Coburn, George Bowers, Mrs. D. B. Bartlett, Miss Sabra Wright.

Committee on country week: Fred W. Coburn, chairman; E. Ellingwood, treasurer; F. A. Fisher, Mrs. F. P. Cheney, Avery Clark, Mrs. F. E. Dunbar, Mrs. E. E. Sawyer, Miss Jennie Bradt, Mrs. J. W. Crawford, Mrs. A. C. Moore, Mrs. J. J. Kerwin, Mrs. A. M. Paxson.

Committee on flower mission: Miss Anna F. Anderson, Mrs. Henry J. Fay, Mrs. W. B. Clark, Misses Ethel Gray, Minnie Gray, Helen Bowers, Miss Shattuck, Mrs. George Cummings, Misses Julia W. Stevens, Mary S. Nickerson, Mabel Hall, Blanche Cummings, Leslie Adams, Mrs. E. B. Carney, Mrs. J. W. Bowers, Miss Anna Fels, Mrs. Albert McCurdy.

Auditing committee: George L. Hooper, H. E. Fletcher, H. D. Burrage.

Church historian: Mrs. Henry J. Fay.

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OPPOSITE CITY HALL.

FEARFUL DISASTER

Suspension Bridge at Charleston, West Virginia, Fell Over

Six Teams and Perhaps Thirty School Children Precipitated to Icy Waters of Elk River Fifty Feet Below

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Dec. 15—The suspension bridge connecting East and West Charleston fell through today, precipitating six teams and a number of school children estimated variously from a dozen to 30, into the ice covered waters some 50 feet below. The following were rescued within an hour:

ZELIA SMITH, 9, arm broken and internal injuries.

LILLIE CAVENDAR, 16, bruised.

LOUISE McWHORLER and HELEN CAVENDER, who went down but got out themselves on the ice; IRA WOOD, a driver, WM. HOMES, a driver, both badly bruised; GEORGE WOODELL, a driver; HENRY FIELDER, who was perhaps fatally injured.

The dead body of Mamie Higginbotham, aged 8, was recovered. Of thirteen horses but one escaped.

Ray Humphrey is missing.

Great anxious crowds line the banks as many people on the west side are employed in Charleston. But one strang of the cable remains. The bridge turned turtle as it went down and the floor is lying amid the ice floes a little below the place of crossing. Men in boats are fishing in twenty feet of water for bodies. The bridge has been in a dangerous condition for some time.

WOMEN SEARCH FOR CHILDREN.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 15.—A telegram from Charlestown, W. Va., says two bodies have been recovered from Elk river where the suspension bridge collapsed today. They are John Higgenbotham and Ray Humphrey, both school children. The river bank is filled with frantic women who fear that their children may have been drowned in the river. The entire police and fire force of the city is at the river consoling the people and taking out the bodies from the river. It is estimated that there were 30 people on the bridge and that 20 of these were school children. Six teams were plunged into the river.

HOOTED BY CROWD

Mrs. Chadwick Overcome by Reception in Cleveland

CLEVELAND, Dec. 15.—Five times indicted by the United States government at the exact minute her train rolled into the station, Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick came home to Cleveland yesterday afternoon. She was greeted with jeers, hoots and hisses by the crowds that gathered in the depot when her train arrived, and howled at by hundreds gathered in front of the federal building.

The last sound that reached her from the outside world as she passed into the stuffy, ill-smelling office of Sheriff Barry in the county jail, was the hoot of derision from the people massed in front of the doorway.

She made no attempt to give bail, and after a brief stop in the office of the clerk of the United States court, she was taken to jail. She was held last night in cell 14 in the woman's department of the jail, and her palatial residence on Euclid avenue, of which the furnishings alone are valued at $200,000, is occupied by her maid.

FALLS IN DEAD FAINT.

Her courage held to the last, but her body failed her, and when she had mounted the three flights of stairs leading to the tier of cells where she is to remain, she collapsed utterly and fell in a dead faint. But for the aid of Deputy United States Marshals Kumb and Kelker, who held her up and carried her along as she mounted the stairs, she would never have been able to reach her cell.

Breathless, pale and staggering, she was barely able to reach a chair, as the steel door of the woman's corridor swung open to receive her.

She sank feebly into a chair, her head fell backward, and but for the marshals she would have rolled to the floor. Water was quickly brought to her and in a few minutes she revived, and was again a woman of business. Sheldon Q. Kerruish, her attorney, was sent for, and she was soon engaged in a conference with him concerning her defence.

There is small chance that she will be able to leave the jail before her trial. There are now seven indictments against her—five additional charges having been laid against her in the federal court yesterday afternoon.

CARNEGIE WILLING

HE WILL TESTIFY AT CHADWICK TRIAL.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—That Andrew Carnegie is willing to appear against Mrs. Chadwick when his health has sufficiently improved was made clear in a statement given out yesterday by Mr. Carnegie's secretary, which follows in part:

"Mr. Carnegie has been willing to make a deposition at his home, and later, on his return from Florida, he will lend his assistance and be present to testify at any subsequent proceeding such as a trial whenever his testimony is needed. His one and only reason for not going to Cleveland now is that he is unable to stand the journey in this weather."

MAYOR-ELECT CASEY

CONGRATULATED BY HIS OPPONENT JAMES G. HILL.

The following note has been received by Mayor-elect Casey from his opponent in the contest, James G. Hill:

Lowell, Mass., Dec. 13, 1904.

Mr. James B. Casey,

My Dear Sir:—Allow me to extend my sincere congratulations upon your election as mayor. To have increased your majority more than a thousand votes over last year is a compliment from voters of which you may be justly proud. While the position of chief magistrate is one of great responsibility, I have no doubt but that you will be equal to all its duties and requirements. Wishing you every success during the coming year, I remain

Yours respectfully,

JAMES G. HILL.

MORRIS CHAIR FREE.

Bellefontaine & Co., the furniture dealers at 197 and 199 Middlesex street, are offering a beautiful Morris chair free, to the person presenting the largest number of coupons cut from their advertisement in The Sun. See their advertisement in this issue.

RUMMAGE SALE BARGAINS.

The ladies in charge of the Castilion table of the K. of C. carnival are running a rummage sale at 395 Central street, near Charles street, to be open tomorrow and Saturday. A great many valuable articles have been contributed and they will be sold very cheap.

DEATHS

CONLON—Mrs. Ann E. Conlon died this morning at her late home, 53 Pleasant street. She was a devoted member of the Immaculate Conception church for years and was beloved by all who knew her. She leaves a husband, two sons, James and John, and one daughter, Anna E. The funeral will take place from her late home at 8.30 o'clock Saturday morning. Friends invited without further notice.

ROEBUCK—Alice Mildred Roebuck, infant daughter of William H. and Martha E., died this morning at the home of her parents, 34 Mill street, Collinsville.

FUNERALS

THOMPSON—The funeral of Hugh A. Thompson was held yesterday afternoon from the rooms of Undertakers Young & Co. Services were conducted by Rev. J. M. Craig and the bearers were members of Lowell lodge, K. of P. Burial was in the Edson cemetery.

LANE—The funeral of Martin Lane took place yesterday afternoon from his home, 23 Shaw street. Services were held at St. Peter's church, Rev. Fr. McDermod officiating. The bearers were William and John Mahoney, Thomas Mowavun, William Platt, John Riley and James Tully. Burial was in the Catholic cemetery, where Rev. Fr. McDermod read the committal prayers at the grave. Undertaker Savage had charge.

DANCOSSE—The funeral of Alfred Dancosse took place yesterday from the residence of his cousin, Francois Dancosse, 449 Moody street. The funeral services were held at St. Jean Baptiste church, Rev. Fr. Diss, O. M. I., officiating. The bearers were Paul Moreau, Charles Dumont, Joseph Delunge, Frank Camire, Ludger Caron and S. Moreau. Among those present at the services was Joseph Dancosse of Gorham, N. H., father of the deceased. The body was deposited in the tomb at St. Joseph's cemetery. Undertaker Joseph Albert had charge.

ASTBURY—The funeral of Frederick Asbury, who died at the Lowell hospital Sunday as the result of injuries sustained by falling down an elevator well at the Bigelow Carpet Co.s' mill last week, was held yesterday afternoon, from his home, 81 Fourth street, and burial was in the Edson cemetery. Rev. Mr. Jenkins was the officiating clergyman and Undertaker J. B. Currier had charge.

DAVIS—The funeral of the late Elizabeth B. Davis, who was found dead in bed in her room at Dows' block in Central street, Monday, took place this afternoon at three o'clock from the funeral parlors of Undertaker C. H. Molloy in Market street. The services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Ellis of the First Baptist church. There were many floral offerings in evidence and the interment was in the Edson cemetery under the direction of Undertaker Molloy.

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PICTURES, $2.00 value..... 98c
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LATEST

ROURKE ELECTED

Democrats May Get Another Alderman

Inaccuracies in Original Count of the Aldermanic Vote Make a Recount Necessary—Mistakes Suspected in Wards 3, 4 and 6

As the result of many alleged errors in the figures of the precinct officers on the vote of the aldermanic ticket, the democratic city committee today took up petitions for recounts of the aldermanic vote in the nine wards.

Mayor Howe has called a special meeting of the board of aldermen to canvass the returns this evening and if the mistakes alleged to have been made become apparent during the canvass, the recount will not be necessary, but otherwise it will be held and those who have analyzed the figures make the prediction that Fred H. Rourke will sit in the board of aldermen next year, having been duly and legally elected.

It is stated that Mr. Rourke in the count as announced is 50 votes short in ward three alone. Then it is stated that his count is short in wards four and six.

In precinct two of ward six it is claimed that there is a mistake of nearly 200 votes in Mr. Stowell's count. It is not known who has been credited with the votes that belong to Mr. Stowell but it shows a big mistake and this and the others have caused the democratic city committee to ask for a recount of the aldermanic vote in all the wards.

At city hall this morning it was the opinion of all that the figures were wrong. Some believed that a recount will show not only Mr. Rourke elected but possibly Mr. McVey. Rourke is 29 votes behind Livingston as the count was given out Tuesday night.

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Misses' Ermine Sets..... $4.98
Children's Squirrel Sets $2.98 and $3.75
Misses' Squirrel Sets..... $10.98
Children's Brook Mink Sets..... $3.49
Misses' Brook Mink Sets..... $6.50
Children's Grey Coney Sets..... $1.49
Misses' Grey Coney Sets..... $4.98
Children's Chinchilla Hare Sets.. $1.75
Misses' Chinchilla Hare Sets..... $4.98
Children's White Angora Sets..... $1.49
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Good hand elevator with mechanism complete, formerly used in the H. B. Shattuck hardware store. May be seen in running order at 50 Central street. Will sell cheap.

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FIREMEN KILLED

Three Perished in a Fire in Minneapolis

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 14.—Three firemen were killed, three others painfully burned and property valued at $727,000 was destroyed by fire which began late last night and was not under control till this morning. The dead:

JACOB MILLER,

H. J. BUCKLEY, insurance patrolmen.

JOHN FELLOWS, pipe man.

The losses, which are almost fully covered by insurance are:

C. H. Peck, building; Boutello Bros. building, and Bintliff, building, all owned by the Hale Homestead company of Minneapolis, $225,000; Mercantile company building, $45,000; C. H. Peck company stock photographic supplies, $45,000; Boutello brothers stock, furniture, $800,000; Bintliff company stock $50,000; Powers Mercantile company, department store, $25,000; Northwestern National bank building, $10,000; Farmers and Mechanics Savings bank $2,000; miscellaneous losses $5000.

The flames started in the basement of the Peck establishment. Although the building was heavily stocked with chemicals the fire fighters hoped to confine the flames to that building and they attacked the fire on all sides. All at once the wires that controlled the automatic sprinkler system in the building fell with a dull thud and then the whole interior of the building burst into a blaze. The sprinkler wires had in some way touched a heavily charged electric light wire and the great volume of superheated air mingled with gases from varnish and baking wood was instantly set aflame. Three firemen who were with Fipeman Fellows made miraculous exits down the fire escapes from the fifth floor, but Fellows running to the elevator shaft slid down the cables in the belief that the lower part of the building had not yet begun to burn. He slid into a mass of flames and was seen no more.

H. J. Buckley, a member of the insurance patrol, was killed by a falling wall. Jacob Miller, the third victim, stumbled into the elevator shaft and fell five floors to the basement into the rising flood of water and roaring furnace of flames.

The Boutello building on First avenue near Fifth street then caught fire and the Bintliff Manufacturing company's establishment next door was also soon in flames.

Across First avenue from the Boutello corner is the two-story department store of the Powers Mercantile company, covering a quarter of a block. The firemen deluged this building with water and the Powers stock was badly damaged.

The fire was brought under control at the Powers building and the newspaper building of the Journal and Tribune on Fourth street, which were in great danger, but escaped unharmed.

SENATE TO ACT

On the Swayne Impeachment Case

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14—When the senate convened today, it was understood that before the close of the day, it would be called upon to take cognizance of the decision of the house of representatives to begin impeachment proceedings against federal judge Chas. Swayne of the Northern district of Florida. Apparently the senate had not counted upon being so soon confronted with this problem, so that when a few minutes before the hour of meeting the house committee appeared at the vice president's room to confer with President Protem Frye there was a general scurrying about on the part of the officials to find precedents and to make preparation for the ceremony, the like of which has not been witnessed in the senate chamber since the proceeding of 1876 against Secretary Belknap.

While these details were being arranged Senator Frye was engaged in conversation with the committee consisting of Messrs. Palmer, Jenkins Gillett, Clayton and Smith, (Ky.) Their official action consisted in a mere notification to Mr. Frye of the committee's desire to bring action of the house in the Swayne case to the attention of the senatee at as early hour as possible today and Mr. Frye's reply that the senate would be prepared to receive the committee any time that it might arrive. The senate, in the meantime passed the bill incorporating the American National Red Cross.

The house impeachment committee presented itself at the main door of the senate being preceded by Clerk Browning of the house, who was announced in the usual form by B. W. Layton, assistant sergeant at arms. Mr. Browning read the impeachment resolution passed by the house. Mr. Clayton then presented the committee saying "I announce the committee from the house of representatives appointed in pursuance of the resolution just received "The chair announced that he would receive the committee whereupon the committee was taken in charge by Col. Ransdell sergeant at arms of the senate and all the members conducted down the center aisle to a point immediately in front of the president protem's seat. Mr. Palmer spoke for the committee saying:

"Mr. President: In obedience to the order of the house of representatives we appear before you and in the name of the house of representatives and of all of the people of the United States of America, we do impeach Charles Swayne, judge of the district court of the United States for the Northern district of Florida of high crimes and misdemeanors in office; and we further inform the senate that the house of representatives will in due time exhibit articles of impeachment against him and make good the same. And in their name we demand that the senate shall take order for the appearance of the said Charles Swayne to answer said impeachment."

The president protempore said:

"Mr. Chairman and gentlemen of the committee:

"The chair begs to announce that the senate will take order in the premises, due notice of which will be given to the house."

The committee immediately retired. The entire ceremony consumed less than three minutes of time.

IN THE HOUSE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Immediately after the house met today Speaker Cannon announced as the committee of seven to prepare the charges against Judge Charles Swayne of the Northern district of Florida, who was impeached yesterday, the following:

Messrs. Palmer (Pa.), Gillett (Cal.), Parker (N. J.), Littlefield (Maine), Powers (Mass.), Clayton (Ala.), and Dearmond (Mo.).

From the committee on judiciary, Mr. Jones (Wis.), its chairman, reported back the resolutions recently introduced by Mr. Bauer (N. Y) demanding an inquiry into the so-called steel trust, with the recommendation that the resolutions lie on the table. Mr. Bauer desired to discuss his resolutions but he was shut off because of the motion to lay on the table was not debatable. The recommendation of the committee was adopted.

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Tooth Powder

Cleanses and beautifies the teeth, giving them a pearly whiteness, hardens and brightens the gums, sweetens the breath. Price, 25 cents. Mammoth size, 50 cents.

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LOWELL MAN

WAS HONORED BY THE MASONS IN ANNUAL ASSEMBLY.

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—The annual assembly of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Massachusetts, was held here today. The following officers were elected: Grand master, Forrest E. Barker, Worcester; deputy grand master, Albert F. Dow, Fall River; grand principal conductor of the work, Rev. F. R. Perry Rush, Chelsea; grand treasurer, William B. Lawrence, Medford; grand recorder, J. Gilman Waite, Medford.

The following officers were appointed by Grand Master Barker: Grand chaplain, Rev. Charles A. Skinner, North Cambridge; grand lecturer, Jas. R. Gardner, Boston; grand conductor, Harry T. B. Richardson, Lowell.

SALOON KEEPER

IS CHARGED WITH ASSAULTING A MINISTER.

BELFAST, Me., Dec. 14.—Citizens of Belfast are greatly excited by an assault committed today upon Rev. E. S. Phillbrook, pastor of the Baptist church, who has been prominent in reform movements and from time to time has sworn out warrants against liquor dealers. Jesse Staples, the alleged keeper of a saloon, was arrested and charged with the assault. It is alleged Staples struck Mr. Phillbrick from behind, knocking him down and striking him again while on the ground.

CITY IS LIABLE

DECISION IN THE FIREWORKS CASE.

ALBANY, Dec. 14—The Court of Appeals today reversed the lower courts and granted a new trial to Solomon Landau, who sued the city of New York to recover $25,000 for the death of his son, George Landau. Young Landau was killed by a premature explosion of fireworks on Nov. 4, 1902, in connection with the National Association of Democratic Clubs. Scores of litigants are awaiting the outcome of the Landau case before bringing actions of their own.

CANNOT MEET OBLIGATIONS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14—It was announced on the stock exchange this afternoon that Chas. S. Schumader had been unable to meet his obligations. All the obligations, it was said, were outside the exchange and the failure is not regarded as important.

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POLICE HEARING

Charges Against Boston Police Officials

BOSTON, Dec. 14—A hearing on charges against Capt. Geo. Hall, Lieut. Watkins and all the sergeants who were on duty at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology grounds on the night of the clash with the students was opened before the police commission today. As an outcome of a lengthy hearing, a charge of "Conduct unbecoming an officer" was preferred against each officer of rank. President Pritchett and Bursar Rand of the Institute were summoned as witnesses.

The police board announced that it had decided to try all the cases as one. The institute was represented by Edward B. Adams, an attorney and nine lawyers appeared for the police officers. The first witness President Pritchett told of the rough treatment which the students received at the hands of the police and in reply to a question asked by one of the counsel for the defense, he said nobody was to blame for not informing the students that the police had instructions to keep the steps clear. The president admitted that he told the Bursar to instruct Captain Hall in a general way that the steps were to be kept free. When asked if the state of discipline at the institute was such that if such a request had been made would the admonition have been obeyed, President Pritchett expressed the opinion that if a group of Harvard students had been found on the steps any orders would not have kept the Technology students off.

He had advised the young men twice against making any trouble. Later on in his testimony President Pritchett said he instructed Rand to have four or five policemen sent to the institute to keep the steps clear.

REV. CHARLES EATON

IS WELL KNOWN IN ST. JOHN, N. B.

ST. JOHN, N. B., Dec. 14—Rev. Charles A. Eaton pastor of the Euclid Avenue Baptist church, Cleveland, who is said to have written a letter through which Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick was introduced to Herbert D. Newton of Boston, like the principal in the celebrated case, is a native of Canada.

He is known to many citizens here, he having preached in St. John several years ago. He is a native of Kings county, N. S., and a graduate of Acadia college, Wolfville.

He was pastor of a Toronto church for a time and was also stationed at Natick, Mass., before going to Cleveland.

GIFT REFUSED

LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY RENOUNCES CLAIM TO $100,000.

APPLETON, Wis., Dec. 14.—Lawrence University will renounce all claim to the gift of $100,000 provided in the will of Willis W. Cooper, who lost his life in the Iroquois theatre fire in Chicago. Instead of receiving $100,000 the university will receive $100. This amount was due on a note given by Mr. Cooper to the university, and an order for its payment was recorded in the county court here today.

It is said the estate, valued at $200,000 outside of Mrs. Cooper's dower right, will fall to a daughter, Mrs. Maud Cooper Beach of Chicago. No reason is given by the university trustees for their waiving of the claim, but it is conjectured that Mr. Cooper's attendance at a theatre, which is against the ban of the church, is the reason.

GLOVES BARRED

WILL NOT BE ALLOWED IN UTICA COURT.

UTICA, Dec. 14.—City Judge O'Connor today decreed that gloves shall not be worn in his court. This forenoon the lobby of the court room was filled while the judge gave a friendly talk to a wanderer who had been brought in half famished.

Suddenly the judge looked up. His gaze passed over the head of the prisoner and to the lobby in the rear of the room. Leaning over the rail was a young man of polished appearance.

The fingers of his gloved hands were folded as he rested on his elbows. The contrast between the prisoner and the spectator was more than Judge O'Connor could stand.

"See here," he said, addressing the youth in the lobby, "if you are going to stay in this court room you'll have to take off those gloves. This is no high toned court."

The young man obeyed and the case went on.

DINGLEY TARIFF

WAS DENOUNCED BY SHOE MANUFACTURERS.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Dec. 14.—The shoe manufacturers of Rochester met last night and denounced the present Dingley Tariff of 15 per cent. on cattle hides. They want hides placed on the free list. A petition will be sent to congress by the shoe men asking for speedy action in the direction of repeal.

A NEW TREATY

BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND RUSSIA.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14—Russia has submitted to this government a new form of arbitration treaty which that country is willing to negotiate. As the Russian draft differs radically from that suggested by Secretary Hay, it is expected the negotiations will require some time.

SENT TO SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The president today sent to the senate the following nominations: Collector of Customs Sherman T. Newton for the district of Portsmouth, N. H.; Assistant commissioner of Indian affairs, Charles F. Larrabee of Maine.

Postmaster, Mass.: Wm. F. Wiley, Peabody.

HE LEFT NO WILL.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The family of Hugh Mclaughlin have been unable to discover a will, nor have they been able to find any lawyer who had drawn a will for Mr. Mclaughlin. Nothing will be done, however, for several days yet, as all of Mr. Mclaughlin's private papers will be gone over first. Mr. Mclaughlin leaves a widow and two married daughters.

HIS FIRST WIFE

Tells of Cannon's Marriage to Miss Hamlin

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—At the Senator Reed Smoot investigation today Mrs. Fred Ellis of Salt Lake was sworn. She married her cousin, Abram Cannon, when she was 19 years old. She was Abram Cannon's first plural wife and her husband married Lillian Hamlin in June, 1896. He was then one of the twelve apostles. Mr. Cannon, witness said, then had three wives and he told her he intended to marry Lillian Hamlin. He said that Lillian had been engaged to his brother David, who had died, and she therefore wanted to marry Abram. Mrs. Ellis told her husband that she did not think he could marry Lillian Hamlin.

Mr. Cannon said he could marry outside the state; that he would marry her for time and that she would be David's wife for eternity. "I told him that if he did marry Lillian," said the witness, "that I could not live with him when the church or the law would not recognize his marriage."

Mrs. Ellis told of the departure of Mr. Cannon and Miss Hamlin, accompanied by President Smith, who is said to have performed the marriage ceremony on the high seas, and of their return about July 6, 1896. Mr. Cannon was ill and died about three weeks later. "He confessed on his death bed that he had married Miss Hamlin," said Mrs. Ellis, "and he said, 'I have never had a well day since'. I think it killed him" the witness added sobbingly, explaining later that he worried over the matter. Mrs. Ellis could not testify from her own knowledge who performed the ceremony, but said she supposed it was President Smith until he testified on the stand here last spring.

Mrs. Ellis was asked why she opposed the marriage between her husband and Miss Hamlin. She said it was because she believed the manifesto prohibited such marriages. She went to the counsello to President Smith and asked him if such a marriage (explaining the case but withholding the names) could be legal and was told it could not.

James H. Wallis, Sr., who divulged the endowment house oaths, was recalled by Mr. Worthington, representing Mr. Smoot, and said he had been telling of these obligations for perhaps a year but he could not remember any names except Mr. Owen, who is employed in gathering testimony for the protestants. Mr. Wallis corrected his testimony in regard to the oath of vengeance. This oath he now said contains nothing concerning vengeance upon "inhabitants of the earth" but is a pledge to avenge the blood of the slain prophets upon the "nations of the earth".

The attorneys of the protestants were not ready to proceed further and the hearing was adjourned until 2 p. m.

WAS LOST AT SEA

The Barkentine Emita Met Disaster

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—The news of the loss of the barkentine Emita, bound from Fernduda for Fall River with lumber reached here today when Captain Reemle of the Emita, his wife and crew, were brought in by the Clyde steamer New York. The Emita was abandoned Sunday after she had struck and begun going to pieces off Diamond shoals off Hatteras. The survivors floated away from the wreck on the deck house and after 15 hours a fire which they had kindled on their frail craft was seen by the New York and they were taken off in safety. They lost everything.

A FREE MAN

INDICTMENTS AGAINST DR. AMES WERE DISMISSED.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 14.—Dr. A. Ames, former mayor of Minneapolis, is now a free man. Judge Elliott today granted a motion that all the indictments for bribery and corruption against him be dismissed. Judge Elliott adverted to the seeming impossibility of conviction. The court also granted notions to nolle pross the indictments against Erwin A. Gardner, who testified that he acted as agent in collecting the graft and former police captain Hill who testified to graft collection. These two had turned states evidence and their services to the state were rewarded by freedom.

$50,000 LOSS

VILLAGE OF GREENVILLE, ME., WAS THREATENED.

GREENVILLE, Me., Dec. 14—A fire which at one time threatened the entire village early today caused a total loss of about $50,000, on which there is an insurance of $30,000. The Veneer mill of the Greenville Mfg. company and the Moosehead Power company's plant were burned to the ground. About 75 employes were thrown out of work.

BOLL WEEVIL PROBLEM.

SHREVESPORT, La., Dec. 14.—While the program was arranged to extend through a session of four days, it was believed before the national cotton convention began today's work that it would adjourn after its session this afternoon. The report of the resolutions committee will deal fully with the boll weevil problem.

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From Late Edition Yesterday

SLEIGH WRECKED

Westford Man Was Slightly Injured

George Robbins, of Westford, came to Lowell today with a sleigh and went home without it, owing to the fact that the sleigh got so badly damaged in Liberty square that he had to leave it at a local blacksmith's and pay his fare home in the railroad cars.

He came to Lowell this morning with a light sleigh and while passing through Thorndike street the horse became frightened at a shifter and ran away. The more Mr. Robbins pulled on the reins the faster the animal ran and when Liberty square was reached he tried to turn into Rock street with the result that the sleigh was smashed up against telegraph pole, smashing the sleigh into kindling wood.

Mr. Robbins picked himself up and found that outside of a few bruises he had escaped injury. The horse, however, had made good his escape, but was caught near Hanson's stable by a passerby.

JOHN F. KENSELLA

ELECTED PRESIDENT OF DIVISION 11, A. O. H.

The annual election of officers of division 11, A. O. H., was held last evening and resulted as follows: President, John F. Kinsella; vice president, John Tulty; recording secretary, Patrick Connelly; financial secretary, William Nelson; treasurer, John Hickey; physician, Dr. J. J. Cassidy; sick committee, Patrick Barry, John King, Michael Donahue.

MAILS DELAYED

BY BLOCKADE ON A RAILROAD.

BOSTON, Dec. 14—The mails from New York city and states south and west were four hours and a half late on account of a blockade on the N. Y., N. H. & H. railroad at Bridgeport, where two freight trains collided last night. Several mail trains due here in the early morning were said to be on the other side of the wreck at 6 a. m.

FREIGHT WRECK

BLOCKED TRACKS AND DELAYED TRAFFIC.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Dec. 14—The freight wreck which blocked all four tracks on the viaduct of the New York division of the N. Y., N. H. and H. railroad here last night, was cleared this morning and most of the early passenger trains with their daily loads of commuters were on time. The wreck was due to a rear end collision, a Harlem River special freight train bound for New York, loaded with paper, running into the rear of a train of empty cars.

STORMY PASSAGES.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Coated with ice from stem to stern several trans-Atlantic steamers arrived here today with reports of unusually hard weather at sea. The Slavonia from Trieste had twelve successive days of storm. The Rotterdam from Rotterdam had generally stormy weather throughout her passage. On Sunday she had the hardest experience of the voyage when she ran into a northwest hurricane with furious squalls of snow and hail.

AUTO CLIMBING CONTEST.

DENVER, Col., Dec. 14—An automobile climbing contest, entries to which will be open to the world has been announced by G. Wahlgren of the Overland Racing Association. The event will occur in August, 1905 and Pike's Peak will be the scene. Mr. Wahlgren stated that he would give a cup to the winner. The roadway leading to the summit of the famous mountain will be specially prepared for the contest. The actual climb will be approximately 5000 feet and the road distance about 11 miles. The steepest grade will approach 45 degrees.

BOY'S PARENTS

Heard Chapdelaine Plead Not Guilty

WORCESTER, Mass., Dec. 14.—Ovide Chapdelaine, the Leicester lad accused of killing Mrs. Emma Brigham at Leicester, pleaded not guilty to the charge of murder in the district court today and his case was continued until Dec. 20. The continuance, which was the second one granted in this case, was asked for by Assistant District Attorney George F. Taft. Chapdelaine is held without bail.

The proceedings in court today were quickly consummated and there was little interest shown in them. The crowd was not unusual for a morning court session. Chapdelaine's father and mother were among the spectators.

The accused boy participated in the affair with little apparent concern. His response to the clerks' request for a plea was in a perfectly audible voice and later when Judge Utley asked him if he had any objection to a continuance he replied 'No,' without hesitation.

A continuance until Dec. 20 was then asked.

WILL PRESENT STATUES.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 14—President D. R. Francis of the World's Fair, has written a letter to the governor of each state and territory embraced in the Louisiana purchase exposition informing him that the exposition company has decided to present to each of those states and territories the statue symbolic of it and occupying a niche in the Colonade of states back of festival hall on the fair grounds. These statues are of heroic size and were designed by some of the leading sculptors in the country.

WALLACE WANTED

HE IS CHARGED WITH STEALING STOCK CERTIFICATES.

LONDON, Dec. 14—At the Bow street police court today James Wallace of Marquette, Michigan, (who arrived at Liverpool, November 20, from Boston on the steamer Saxonia and was arrested on the charge of stealing stock certificates to the value of $20,000 from Edward Breitung, a banker of Marquette) was committed for extradition. He will sail for New York, December 31, in charge of Sheriff Penglase.

TO INSTRUCT HEALTH OFFICERS.

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 14.—A school of instruction for health officers and sanitary conference opened at 11 o'clock this morning in the hall of representatives at the state house. Granville P. Conn, M. D., president of the state board of health, in the chair. After an address of welcome by Governor Bachelder, a paper upon "Some Erroneous Ideas at South Water Supplies and Water Works" was read by Robert E. Macher, Ph. D., C. E., director of the Thayer school of civil engineering at Dartmouth college.

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FROM YESTERDAY'S LATE EDITION

McMANUS TALKS

JOHN McMANUS, OVERSEER OF THE POOR.

Some Reforms That He Will Advocate

John McManus, poor man's friend and protector of the orphans, has been elected overseer of the poor in ward five by a majority that outshone, numerically, all others. He was elected high and dry and his bonnet is full of reformation ideas that he will hand out to Supt. Donlon, Secretary Courtney and members of the board of overseers of the poor.

Mr. McManus has worked and visited with the poor. He knows of their conditions and he will seek to remedy them. When, as overseer of the poor, a family in distress is reported to him, he will make personal investigation and his decision will be based on personal observation and experience.

There are quite a number of reforms that Mr. McManus intends to introduce. In the first place he will strive to do away with the dinner that has been the drawing card for some "bums" and hungry reporters. He will move that the cost of the dinner that is served once a month should go to the weak, hungry and friendless in the hospitals. Mr. McManus has visited the city farm, or poor house, when these dinners were being served and he noted the kind and appearance of the men who sat at table. He saw there among others city officials who receive good pay and a corps of reporters who think more of their stomachs than they do of their papers.

Mr. McManus will advocate an increase of three in the number of ward physicians, a physician for every ward. He will also say to his brother members that in his opinion the board should meet in the afternoon instead of in the evening. That previous to every meeting the board should visit the institution, every ward, and acquaint themselves thoroughly with conditions. He does not believe in the board convening after dark and going away on an empty brain and a full stomach. There are a whole lot of things to be looked into at the city farm, poorhouse and hospital, and Mr. McManus declared that he will investigate the situation thoroughly.

He has seen the members and officials of the board and their friends walk down the stone steps that lead to the superintendent's office and, drawing a mind's eye picture, all he could discover was that they were thoroughly satisfied with the dinner served at the institution.

The insane patients were peering through iron bars and the paupers looked up from their soup of bones to eye the men who were feeding on the fat of the land, but the red-faced all-satisfied feasters (the eaters who gorged at the expense of the city), didn't seem to care, says McManus. This touched the spark to the motor that generates human sympathy in the heart of Mr. McManus and he vowed there and then that, if given the authority, he would call a halt. The people have favored him with their votes and he declares that he will bolt the doors to these unwholesome methods at the city farm.

Mr. McManus will also approve of a city store. He is not sure but he has an idea that the city could supply the needs of her dependents much cheaper through the medium of a municipal store than to buy from every Tom, Dick and Harry. He has heard of two or three profits and he will favor a city store.

Mr. McManus will also deal a wee bit with the law. When the legislature declared that prisoners and paupers should be kept apart the authorities at the city farm found it very convenient to pardon and release all the prisoners. Mr. McManus argues that there is no need of any such movement. He says that several men and women who appear in the local police court for drunkenness should be sent to the city farm for treatment instead of to the common jail. He believes that it is possible to keep the paupers and the prisoners separate, and after having investigated the affair, officially, he will report to Judge Hadley.

The newly elected overseer says that he will visit the farm once a week and that he will feel at liberty to visit on any part of the premises. He will advocate a reduction of expenses to offset any expenditure that he may suggest. Among the many charitable sentiments to be voiced by Mr. McManus will be one in favor of supplying poor families with chickens and turkeys on feast days.

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DEATHS

DONOHOE—Michael L. Donohoe, aged 86 years, an old and highly respected resident of Chelmsford Centre, died this morning at his home in that town. He was the father of the late Thomas D. Donohoe and is survived by four sons, Charles, Frank, Florence and Robert.

TRUSTEE NAMED.

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—Robert Jackson Cram of this city was today appointed by Referee Olmstead trustee in the involuntary bankruptcy proceedings instituted recently against the H. B. Humphrey company advertising agents, which subsequently filed a schedule showing liabilities of $97,920 and assets of but $24,494. Cram's bond was fixed at $20,000. About 500 claims were presented today to Referee Olmstead for approval.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 14.—The stockholders of the Providence and Worcester Street Railway company held their annual meeting in their office here today, adjourning after an hour's session.

The following officers were elected: President, Moses B. I. Goddard of Warwick; secretary and treasurer, Wm. A. Lecte of Providence; directors, Mr. Goddard, J. E. Davis of Boston; John W. Danielson and Walter E. Angell of Providence; G. M. Whitin of Whitinsville and A. G. Bullock and Waldo Lincoln of Worcester.

JUSTICE DAVIS

Will Decide Question in Patterson Trial

NEW YORK, Dec. 14—All interest in the Patterson murder trial today centered in the ruling which Justice Davis announced that he would make at the opening of court regarding the admission of testimony in the alleged conspiracy referred to by assistant district attorney Rand yesterday. Upon this ruling depended the question whether the prosecution would be permitted to attempt to substantiate in the presence of the jury, its allegation that J. Morgan Smith was spirited away from the jurisdiction of court by Miss Patterson's counsel and her father. This sensational charge, which had been forecasted by rumor for several days, was made yesterday afternoon. The jury had been dismissed for the day, however and heard none of the arguments between counsel. It was at the conclusion of these arguments that Justice Davis announced that he would rule upon the question today.

The testimony by which Mr. Rand asserts he will prove the plot to wrong Young may be as sensational as the charge of conspiracy itself. So far it has only been hinted at in the testimony of the newsboy, with a link offered in the testimony of the pawnbroker, Hyman Stern, who sold the revolver with which Young was killed.

These links of evidence are wide apart, and in order to forge a connecting chain of circumstances witnesses will have to be called who have been kept in the back ground by the district attorney. Letters containing threats have been spoken of by the prosecution as being documents important to their theory but so far the name of Smith has not been connected with these alleged threats.

FOUGHT TO DIE

MAN JUMPED IN FRONT OF BRIDGE TRAIN.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14—George Hurley, 39 years old, a stonecutter, of 247 West Thirty-seventh street, jumped from the promenade near the New York anchorage of the Brooklyn bridge last night, landing on the northbound track for the elevated railroad trains. A bridge local train in charge of Motorman George De Leavey stopped about three feet from where the man was lying on the track. The motorman thought the man was unconscious and went to his assistance, but the prostrate man jumped up and attacked De Leavey furiously.

"You have no right to interfere with me!" he shouted. "All I want is to die!"

Policeman Joseph Wells of the bridge squad got Hurley to the Oak street station after a hard tussle. The man said he had no money, friends or work. He prayed that "the gentlemanly police would kindly allow him to die."

He was sent to the psychopathic ward at Bellevue.

SPREADING RAIL

CAUSED ACCIDENT AT WOOD RIVER JUNCTION.

WOOD RIVER JUNCTION, R. I., Dec. 14—Spreading rails caused the derailment of a combination passenger and baggage coach on the Wood River branch railroad, a six mile single track line which operates between Hope Valley and Wood River Junction, near the village of Woodville today, but the passengers aboard numbering about fifteen, escaped injury, save one man who sustained a jammed finger.

The car toppled over a four foot embankment and landed on its side in a deep bank of snow. The speed at the time of the accident was not great and this coupled with the soft snow bank probably prevented more extensive injury. The engine did not leave the track, the impetus of the car breaking the coupling. Had the accident occurred a few feet further on the car would have landed in Wood River with possible fatal results. Save for broken windows the car was not damaged.

$105,000 VOTED

TO PURCHASE BREAD FOR THE POOR.

KISHINEFF, Dec. 14.—The district Zemstvo has voted $105,000 to purchase bread and to open warehouses for the sale of flour and grain to the distressed at cost price, as the Jews are buying up all the grain in the villages and are re-selling it at three times its cost. The Zemstvo proposes to limit the sale of supplies to individuals to 200 pounds.

POSTMASTERS NAMED.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Postmasters appointed today:

New Hampshire—Dorchester, Luella Keeser.

NOMINATING COMMITTEES NAMED.

The regular meeting of the Mathew Temperance Institute was held last night with a large attendance. Two nominating committees were appointed to bring in lists of candidates for the different offices, for the election which will be held on the 27th of this month.

THE PRESIDENT SUBSCRIBES.

PARIS, Dec. 14—President Roosevelt was one of the first subscribers to the proposed museum at Arles destined to collect provencial relics. His subscription was accompanied by an autograph letter to M. Eduador Leon, the organizer of the project.

INTERFERED WITH TRAFFIC.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The storm of yesterday and the sudden sharp drop in temperature has seriously interfered with through passenger traffic from the west. At the Grand Central station today the bulletin boards reported nearly every train far behind its schedule. Trains from New England points are also from one to two hours late in reaching this city.

INDICTED FOR ELECTION FRAUDS.

PUEBLO, Col., Dec. 14—A special grand jury impanneled several days ago, has returned 25 indictments for election frauds.

SOLD FOR $200.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14—A complete set of the Pennsylvania Magazine for the years 1775 and 1776, edited by Thomas Paine and containing one of the earliest prints ever published of the battle of Bunker Hill, has just been sold at auction here for $200.

MOUNTED POLICE

Ready to Prevent Any Trouble

BUDAPEST, Hungary, Dec. 14.—The lower house of the Hungarian parliament opened today in perfect calm. The royal rescript convoking the diet was listened to attentively and the house thereafter adjourned without the least attempt on the part of the opposition to renew the rioting of yesterday. The orderliness of the proceedings was attributed to the absence of President Perezel and his parliamentary bodyguard who yesterday were driven from the house. Had these been present undoubtedly there would have been repetitions of yesterday's scenes.

The opposition under the leadership of Count Apponyi and Francis Kossuth took possession of the house as early as 6.30 this morning in consequence of a rumor that the government proposed to hold a sitting at 7 a. m. The deputies took up a strong position on the president's platform prepared to repel any attempt of the guards to dispossess them. The latter, however, made no effort to enter the house and on the assurance of Count Andrassy that President Perezel would not preside and that the guards would not enter the house, the platform was cleared.

Premier Tisza and the members of his cabinet entered at about 10 o'clock and occupied the front bench as all the ministerial arm-chairs had been destroyed. There was no demonstration. The house listened to the rescript in silence, voted to refer it to the upper house and the sitting, which lasted only a few minutes, was closed.

Outside, foot and mounted police had taken up positions in parliament square where small groups of curious people collected but there were no disturbances.

THE GRAND JURY

TOOK UP THE CHADWICK CASE TODAY.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 14.—The task of empanelling the Federal grand jury, which is to consider the case of Mrs. Chadwick commenced this morning but it is not certain that there will be any indictment returned immediately. U. S. District Attorney Sullivan said today:

"The action of Mrs. Chadwick in waiving examination is in itself sufficient to hold her over to the next term of the federal court even if no indictment is found before the day on which the term opens. We shall not of course delay matters in the slightest degree, but there is now no need of such quick work as would have been necessary if she had elected to stand an examination in New York. Then we would have been compelled to complete our case in order to hold her but we are now able to take our time as she has by her own action bound herself to a court."

The county grand jury was also in session at the same time as the body in the Federal building. It was admitted in the office of County Prosecutor Keller that an indictment would probably be found against Mrs. Chadwick in connection with the $5,000,000 Carnegie note. The indictment has been written out and lacks only official action.

The train on which Mrs. Chadwick is traveling toward Cleveland, it was announced by the railroad officials early today, was two hours late at Buffalo and owing to the weather conditions it was not expected any of the time would be made up. This would delay the arrival of the woman somewhat, bringing her shortly after 1 o'clock if no further delay was caused.

In the meantime the federal and county authorities and the grand array of legal talent make no further move in the case and seem to be awaiting the arrival of the federal prisoner.

The case, especially Mrs. Chadwick's determination to come to Cleveland and face the charges against her, was the topic of local gossip today to a greater extent than at any time since her arrest. On the elevators in the public buildings, one caught from the several passengers as they boarded the car at different floors, little phrases of conversation in which the name Chadwick, of Federal court, or other names which have become identified with the case were heard.

There was little excitement about the railroad station early today that would warrant the anxiety of U. S. Marshal Chandler last night in calling for extra police details.

Col. Wm. L. Moore of Toledo, an inspector for the postoffice department, is in the city to make investigation. Col. Moore will endeavor to ascertain if the postal laws have been violated by anybody connected with the Chadwick case.

When the Chadwick case was taken up by the special grand jury today, Federal Judge Wing, after the jurors had been sworn addressed the members briefly. The first witness before the jury was Robert Lyons, receiver for the closed Citizens National bank of Oberlin. He was followed by T. K. Whitney, a director of the same institution. County Prosecutor Keller said at noon that no indictment against Mrs. Chadwck would be returned today by the county grand jury. Today he issued subpoenas for President Beckwith of the failed Oberlin bank and Cashier A. B. Spear, of the same institution.

U. S. District Judge Wing today issued an order to the district marshal to place Receiver Loeser in charge of the Chadwick home on Euclid avenue. This action followed the refusal of the keeper placed in the house by the Elyria, Ohio, bank, to turn over the property to Loeser when the latter made a demand last night.

RIVER IS LOWERED.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Dec. 14—Drought has lowered the Scioto river to a low stage and the river from which Columbus secures its water supply is today frozen nearly solid. The situation has alarmed the water works officials and Superintendent O'Shaussenney today issued a warning to the people to hoard their water supply and fill their cisterns while there is an opportunity, as if, the river is completely frozen, as now seems possible, the water supply will be cut off. All the fire cisterns are being filled to the brim.

ANOTHER WINNER

We another, because we presume you have already seen the dainty basket containing two bottles of excellent toilet water that is offered by Howard, the Druggist, 197 Central street, for 29c. It looks 50c worth easily.

The "another one" is even greater value. Three cakes of fine toilet soap and two bottles of toilet water in a beautiful imported box at 50c. These are sure to go fast and the supply is limited.

HELD FOR MURDER

Worcester Man Killed His Daughter

WORCESTER, Mass., Dec. 14.—John Wainwright charged with the murder of his daughter, Mrs. Ada S. Lindley, at Worcester on December 6, pleaded not guilty in the local court today and was held for the grand jury. The government presented a part of its case, Dr. A. C. Doten and Medical Examiner Fred'k H. Baker, chief of police W. J. E. Stone and Inspector Arthur F. Roach giving testimony. The physicians described the wound which caused Mrs. Lindley's death. The policemen told of alleged conflicting statements made by Wainwright with reference to the affairs which he claimed was due to an accident, but which in the opinion of the police after investigation was considered intentional. Chief Stone testified that when Wainwright was arrested, he had claimed that an old revolver which he found had exploded while he was handling it in the presence of his wife and daughter in the parlor of his house. He told the police that he had remarked: "This is what I'd do if a burglar came into the house." Immediately there was a discharge which so confused Wainwright that he could remember nothing which took place afterwards.

Mrs. Wainwright, who was wounded at the same time that Mrs. Lindley was killed, had recovered sufficiently from her injuries to be in court today.

HOTEL GUESTS

GOT A BAD SCARE BY LIVELY BLAZE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—One hundred and twenty-five guests of the Hotel LaFayette-Brevoort, at Eighth street and Fifth avenue, were aroused from their beds early today and kept waiting, in scanty clothing, for more than an hour while firemen fought a small blaze between the ceiling of the first floor and the flooring of the second. The flames were finally extinguished after doing damage to the extent of $1000. None of the guests left the house and all retired when informed that the danger was past.

INSANE MAN

ATTEMPTED TO SHOOT HIS MOTHER.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 14—Munro Wells, aged 22 years, son of a carpenter at North Birmingham, secured a pistol yesterday and fired at his mother, the bullet narrowly missing her. Miss Addie Heate, an aunt, rushed to the rescue of Mrs. Wells, when the young man shot her in the neck, inflicting a fatal wound and then blew out his brains.

Wells but recently had been released from the insane asylum as cured.

MAJOR HARDIN

WILL BE COURT-MARTIALED ON CHARGES OF NEGLECT.

MANILA, Dec. 14.—Major Edward E. Hardin, of the Seventh Infantry, is to be court-martialed on charges of neglect in not having a sufficient guard at Malate prison, from which 33 native prisoners escaped recently after killing three soldiers on guard.

DALY'S PLURALITY

REVISED RETURNS PLACE IT AT 293.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Dec. 14.—Revised returns from yesterday's balloting increases the plurality of Mayor Augustine J. Daly to 293, Mayor Daly received 7539 and Former Mayor J. H. H. McNames 7246. Mayor Daly was candidate of the non-partisan organization and his opponent was the democratic nominee. The democrats have petitioned for a recount. Ten out of 22 councilmen were elected by that party. The city declared for no license by a plurality of 3492.

EPISCOPALIANS MEET.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—American sovereignty and progress of church work in the Philippines have been praised, the negro question was declared to have shifted from a southern to a national one to be dealt with accordingly and the good and bad conditions of life in Chicago have been depicted in strong terms by speakers at a great mass meeting of Chicago Episcopalians, held at the Auditorium.

Fully 4,000 persons, laymen and clergy attended the meeting, which was held in the interest of Episcopal church extension at home and abroad.

The speaker of the evening was the Rt. Rev. Charles Palmerston Anderson, bishop coadjutor of the Chicago diocese. A choir of 600 voices with the speakers and guests occupied the stage.

The speakers were the Rt. Rev. Charles Henry Brent, D.D., bishop of the Philippine islands; the Right Rev. Cleland Kinloch Nelson, D. D., bishop of Georgia; and Bishop Anderson.

WILL REAPPOINT MACDOUGALL.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14—President Roosevelt has decided to reappoint Clinton D. MacDougall, U. S. marshal for the northern district of New York. Marshal MacDougall's re-appointment was indorsed by the two New York senators and several representatives from Northern New York. He lives at Auburn.

NEW RATE ON FLOUR.

PORTLAND, Oregon, Dec. 14.—The Northern Pacific railroad has announced a new rate on flour to the east from points in Eastern Washington and Idaho. The change makes the same tariff on flour as on wheat, or 52½ cents to Chicago, Peoria, East St. Louis and St. Louis from all points in Eastern Washington and Idaho. This will be a reduction of practically seven cents per 100 pounds on the haul across the country.

CLEMENCY DENIED.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The president has denied executive clemency to Mrs. Phyllis Dodge, from whom the government seized a pearl necklace some time ago. The sale of the necklace by the government which was postponed in order that Mrs. Dodge's attorneys might present the matter will now proceed. The necklace has been valued at $20,000.

PLEADED GUILTY

Men Charged With Illegal Voting

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Dec. 14.—Harry J. Sullivan, John J. Kelleher and Wm. Kemmett, all belonging in Boston, who were arrested in Cambridge yesterday on the charge of illegal voting, pleaded guilty before Judge Almy in the Cambridge district court today. The prisoners, who are all young men, were remanded until Saturday for sentence.

AN INVESTIGATION

INTO THE CASE OF SECRETARY TUMBER.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14—Orders were issued today for an investigation of the case of Secretary Tumber of the rural carriers association, whose signature, according to papers in the possession of the postal authorities was on a circular letter sent to candidates for congress asking them as to their position on legislation affecting the carriers. Tumber is a rural letter carrier at Lockport, N. Y.

The postal officials are determined to break up the alleged lobbying which they say has been going on here in connection with proposed measures affecting the interests of postal employees. The president of the Association of railway mail clerks recently asked for authority to come to Washington to press various claims in the interest of his order. No attention was at first paid to his request and another letter was received asking for immediate answer. The request was refused and no further word has reached the post office department from him.

"WIN" STURTEVANT

SENDS CONGRATULATIONS TO JAMES E. DONNELLY.

"Win" Sturtevant, who was the republican candidate for purchasing agent, has sent the following letter to Mr. Donnelly:

Lowell, Dec. 14, 1904.

Mr. Jas. E. Donnelly, Esq.:

Dear Sir:—I wish to congratulate you on your handsome vote, and my hearty wish is that the coming year will be filled with success as in the past.

Very truly yours,

Z. WINCHELL STURTEVANT.

TO INCREASE CAPITAL.

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—At a special meeting of the stockholders of the Plymouth Cordage company here today it was voted to increase the amount of capital stock from $1,500,000 to $2,000,000. The additional funds from the new issue are to be used in making extensions to the plant.

SASONEFF SPOKE

Assassin Made a Plea of Justification

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 14.—It turns out that at the trial yesterday of Sasoneff, who assassinated interior minister Von Plehve, in July last, and Sikorifsky, his accomplice, while Sasoneff did not present the "Apologia" he had written in the hospital, he delivered a speech in his justification. Sasoneff walked with a cane, three of his toes and one finger having been amputated as the result of wounds received by the bomb explosion. He also was very deaf, one of his eardrums having been smashed. Sasoneff being still an invalid, was taken back to Viborg prison after the trial. Sikorifsky was taken to the St. Peter and St. Paul fortress. The effect of the application of Emperor Nicholas manifesto on the occasion of the birth of the heir to the throne upon the sentences reduces Sasoneff's term (penal servitude for life) to 15 years penal servitude and Sikorifsky's (who was sentenced to 20 years) to 10 years penal servitude.

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MINSTREL SHOW

Musical Mohairs Repeated Performance

IN ASSOCIATE HALL LAST EVENING

Affair Under Auspices of Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus gave a delightful Ladies' Night at Associate Hall, last evening complimentary to the ladies who are assisting on the tables at the coming bazaar. The attraction offered was the Mohair Minstrels who recently made a decided hit in Odd Fellows' Temple and they were even a greater success, last evening for their performance went off more smoothly and the large audience showed its appreciation by frequent encores.

Standing room was at a premium when at 8 o'clock the curtain went up revealing the old fashioned minstrel front.

The program:

Curtain Raiser, Down Middle.
Introductory Overture
"When Mother Was Sixteen."
David Dobson.
"Sunlight and Shadow."
Miss Marion Brown.
"Oysters and Clams"
John Sidebottom.
"The Sweetest Girl in Dixie,"
Miss Nano Gallagher.
Alexander
John McNamara.
"Good Bye Little Girl Good Bye,"
E. Wirt.
"Eternal Love"
A. J. Fisher.
"Gee! It's Great to Be Crazy"
J. Myers and Sloan.
"That Grand Old Song"
Osmond Long.
"A Rare Old Bird"
W. Sherwell.
"May Morning"
Mrs. Winifred Symonds
"Here's Your Hat What's Your Hurry"
Alex. E. Williams
"Let All Obey,"
T. Boulger.
"Back, Back, Back to Baltimore"
H. Webster, Jr.
"Star of My Life"
James E. Donnelly.
Grand Finale.

The circle was composed of the following:

Interlocutor, Henry Allop; end men, bones, J. McNamara, H. Webster, Jr., J. Sidebottom; tambos, Alex Williams, T. Gibson, J. R. Whittaker; soloists, Mrs. Winifred Symonds, soprano; Miss Nano Gallagher, contralto; Osmond Long, tenor; D. Hird, tenor; E. Wirt, tenor; A. Fisher, baritone; J. Donnelly, baritone; D. Dobson, bass; T. Boulger, bass; comedy duetists, John Myers and Joseph Sloan.

Chorus—Tenors: D. McKenzie, E. Cornellier, A. Germaine, D. Warren, J. R. Whittaker, D. Hambleton, J. Rhodes, G. F. Maguire, J. Van Steenburg, R. Hannon, H. De Hopper, F. Marshall, M. Gorman, W. Sherwell, G. Hunt, G. Faulkner; basses, J. W. Harrison, C. Jenkins, F. Lace, H. Mosley, Jr., W. Thornton, E. Jeffrey, A. Watson, J. Cooper, M. Martin, M. Dacey, R. J. Turrell, W. Sutherland, A. Harrison, Allan Black, E. Pearson, G. Lee; sopranos: Miss J. Ferry, Miss M. A. Scobie, Miss J. Foster, Miss A. Scanlon, Miss V. Kennedy, Miss L. A. Kyes, Miss C. M. Clark, Miss L. V. Whitley, Miss P. E. Osgood, Miss M. Smith, Miss B. Quinn, Miss D. Smith, Miss M. Whiteley, Miss H. Ross; altos, Miss E. Watson, Miss L. Gormley, Miss A. Lacomb, Miss S. McCall, Miss M. Crowe, Miss F. Cummings, Miss L. Kelley, Miss L. Roy, Miss E. McGannon, Miss F. Roy.

Pickaninnies—Girls: Lavania Watson, Bessie Sidebottom, Alice Scullton, Ethel Brooks, Florence Northup, Bertha Cricket, Florence Hankinson, Mamie Keegan, Hazel Welch, Clara Bernard, Belle Harriman, Ruth Bowen, Bertha Clements; boys: L. Sidebottom, A. Lovejoy, R. Coutrie, W. Cooper, M. E. Bean, L. Cooper, L. H. Wood, P. Hartley, E. Stanley, E. Jenkins.

Mohair Belles—Topsy, Miss Mary Wayman; Tootsie, Miss Alice Bowman.

The end men reeled off a number of bright jokes, some with a local flavor, while Messrs. Myers and Sloan, "The long and the short of it," were also a hit. Phil Lederman acted as director and it was greatly due to his efforts that the affair was such a complete success.

After the entertainment the floor was cleared for dancing which was enjoyed until midnight to the music of Hibbards' orchestra.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

The regular meeting of Women's Relief corps of Gen. B. F. Butler post was held last night and the following officers were elected: Mrs. Helen M. Quinn, president; Mrs. Delia Goss, S. V. P.; Mrs. Jos. P. MacDonald, J. V. P.; Mrs. E. Goodwin, treasurer; Mrs. L. Worthen, secretary; Miss S. Baker, chaplain; Miss Mary I. Smith, conductor; Mrs. Chase, guard. The corps also voted to furnish a room at the Soldiers' home in Chelsea. Mrs. J. P. MacDonald was elected delegate to the convention in Boston, next February, and Mrs. J. Worden, alternate.

Officers were nominated at the meeting of I. H. D. of M. held last night.

The regular meeting of Reliance lodge was held last night in Lincoln hall with Commander Lady Holman in the chair. Routine business was transacted. One candidate was initiated.

The National Association of Stationary Engineers at the last regular meeting of Lowell association, No. 17, had a very enjoyable visit and smoke talk in an informal way from Brother Howes of Rhode Island and Brother Green of Waltham. There were some very interesting discussions on engineering appliances in some of the large, up-to-date power plants. There is to be something later on in the way of lectures of interest.

CARPENTERS' UNION.

The French carpenters' union held a meeting last night and elected officers for the ensuing term. The officers elected were as follows: President, Rosardo Leclair; vice president, Napoleon Turgeon; recording secretary, Philippe Chaput; financial secretary, Ferdinat Ouelette; treasurer, Fortunat Gadbois; conductor, Elzear Michelin; warden, Eugene Ducharme; trustee, Origene Descoteaux; auditors, Eugene Marcotte, George Paquin, John H. Bernier, chief.

Tomorrow night, the union, together with the other local union, 49, will go to Lawrence, where quite a celebration is to be held by the three local Carpenters unions, the American, French and German, and where the Lowell men are to be guests of honor. The Lawrence brethren were entertained some time ago by the local French union, and Friday's "time" is to be given in return for the courtesy then extended the Lawrence carpenters. The Lowell contingent will leave for Lawrence at 6.15 tomorrow night, taking a special car at the square.

BASKET BALL

TO-NIGHT At 8.30

WESTFORD STREET ARMORY

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THE LINEUP OF BOTH TEAMS WILL BE MADE UP FROM THE FOLLOWING PLAYERS:

LOWELL—Toby Mathews, Enos, Leighton, Davey, William and Ivan Loos.

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WITH THE HORSES

Items of Interest Clipped and Gleaned

An unweaned McKinny foal sold at the Old Glory sale for $900.

Ed Geers will campaign Tom Axworthy, 2.08¾, next season.

Lou Dillon, 1.58½, will be wintered by Budd Doble in California.

Fred Hyde will drive for N. W. Hubinger of New Haven next season.

Dr. Strong, 2.07¼, will be raced next year down the line by Ed Benyon.

Frank Yoakum, 2.05½, won nine races out of seventeen starts the past season.

C. K. G. Billings purchased Alexander, 2.09½, to try for the saddle record with next year.

George Spear will train a string of runners for E. E. Smathers at New Orleans this winter.

Melton, 2.14½, by Allerton, formerly raced by Chester Lasell has been sold to European parties.

Deonatus, 2.17½, by Alcantara, is now a companion in the stud to Moquette, 2.10, at the farm of W. H. Davis, Washington, Pa.

W. W. Bair, who drove Maud S. 2.08¾, has broken into the game again and has a string of horses at Belmont park, Philadelphia.

The Professional Drivers' Beneficial association has increased the dues from $5 to $10 per annum, and the secretary's salary to $600.

Carrie Bel, 2.14¼, by Lynne Bel, recently purchased by A. C. Pennock is to be shifted to pacing and it is believed she can pace better than 2.10.

A green 2-year-old pacer by Nutwood Wilkes, 2.16½, dam Atherine, 2.16¾, by Patron, 2.14¼, recently worked a half in 1.02¾ at Pleasonton, Cal.

Phelon W., 2.08¾, started in eight races in the Maritime Provinces the past season, never losing a heat and winning $1650 in premiums within seven weeks.

Bellsire, 2.18, who was purchased by a Canadian gentleman at the Old Glory sale, is said to be the first son of Electioneer ever owned in the Dominion.

A. J. McClure, a well-known amateur reinsman of Albany, N. Y., has bought the pacer Albert, 2.04¾, by Flower, and will race him on the ice this winter.

Dr. J. C. McCoy now owns Admiral Dewey, 2.14¼, having bought A. J. Welch's interest in the horse. The son of Nancy Hanks will be raced next season.

The International Stock Food Co. of Minneapolis now has a great quartet of stallions in Dan Patch, 1.56; Directum, 2.05¼; Roy Wilkes, 2.06½, and Arion, 2.07¾.

The Worcester driving park company report the three meetings held the past season as good financial winners and they have declared a big dividend on their stock.

Her Grace by Austral, that paced a mile this fall in 2.04¾ has been purchased by George D. Sherman of New York and she will be in Lou McDonald's hands next season.

There are two own sisters to the Bishop, 2.06, out in Montana. They are both pacers, one a 3-year-old called Lady Bishop, the other is 5 years old and called Mildred C.

James Butler of New York has purchased from C. C. Van Meter, Louisville, Ky., the fast 2-year-old trotter, The Phantom, by Boreal, 2.15¾, at a reported price of $10,000.

Caesar was crossing the Rubicon.

"When I return," he said, "I'll give the river the double cross."

This is the origin of the expression.—New York Mail.

Sweet Marie, 2.04¾, is running out in a paddock at Los Angeles, Cal. She will be taken up Jan. 1 and shod and worked along easily until May 1, when she will be shipped East.

Among the Walnut Hall farm horses that Ed. Benyon will train again next year is the fast roan filly Jessie Benyon, 3, by Moko. She has no mark but could trot at 2.11 the past season.

Hall Frey, 2.09¾, that the Texas reinsman, W. D. Foote, campaigned in the grand circuit in 1904, is owned by James H. Oglebay, of Kansas City, Mo., and is now at the Kansas City track.

Sweet Marie, 2.04¾, made 13 starts this season, in which 41 heats were trotted. Of these she won 27 heats and trotted one dead heat. She trotted 21 heats in 2.10 or better. These 2.10 heats average 2.07½.

J. B. Haggin's famous Rancho del Paso, in California, the largest nursery of race horses, runners and trotters in the world, is to be cut up into subdivisions and sold. It is worth millions of dollars.

The pacing mare Alice Mapes, 2.06¼, by Oratorio, 2.13 dam Lena Mapes, by Louis Napoleon, that took her record this year, is now in foal to Joe Patchen, 2.01¼, and has been booked to Direct, 2.05½ for 1906.

The Halifax Recorder says: "The death of Ionita F. just as she showed she would be faster than last year, was a blow to the turf as well as to her enterprising owner—A. B. Etter of Amherst, N. S.

Harry Benedict, an assistant trainer for Geers when he raced the Village farm horses and last year with Scott Hudson has signed as second trainer for William J. Andrews who will develop the McKinney's.

Will Yapp has sailed for England and will be in the employ of Walter Winans. Mr. Yapp accompanied the horses, Prince Alert, 1.57, The Deacon, 2.14¼, and the outlaw, May L. C., otherwise known as Natalie N., 2.14¼.

It is said that Arion, 2.07¾, recently occupied the same stall in the stable of Frank Ferguson, New York City, in which his sire, Electioneer, was kept for a day or so when on his way to California, over a quarter of a century ago.

The net results of the season made by John R. Gentry, 2.00½, in 1902 at Ewell farm are thirty-one living foals, sixteen of which are colts. They are the most remarkable set of colts ever seen in Tennessee and are exceptionally uniform in color.

The stable of trotters and pacers belonging to Mr. Billings, with the exception of Prince of Orange, 2.05½ and Hontes Crooke, 2.07½, were last week shipped from the Speedway stables to Cleveland, where they will winter in charge of Charles Tanner.

T. F. Donnelly's trotting mare, Madeline Electric, after winning the first heat in an event at the Charles River speedway, dropped dead in the third heat after finishing third in the second heat. She was a valuable mare and won the silver cup at a former matinee.

E. B. Rice the young Bostonian who purchased John M., 2.02¾, the first week of the sale, for $400, evidently got a bargain for he was offered by wire by Dave McDonald of Pittsburg, $7500 for the gelding. The offer was refused and $10,000 named was the price wanted.

"Send me $500, dad," wrote the young man from college. "Money makes the mare go."

The reply was equally brief.

It said: "Yours received. I enclose $50. That ought to be enough for a jackass."—Louisville Courier Journal.

The Kentucky Trotting Horse Breeders' association track has been plowed up to the depth of about five inches and will remain in that condition till next spring, when it will be oiled and worked into condition. It is Mr. Wilson's opinion that this treatment will greatly improve the track.

Manager Hitchings of the Saugus, Mass., track, says that there was no foundation to the story that he is to make extensive changes and improvements at the track. He will, however, build an additional row of stalls to accommodate the increasing number of horses attracted by his two weeks' meetings.

Thomas W. Murphy, acting for James Butler, last Wednesday sold ton Adam Muchattle, of Scotland, the two pacers, Trilby Direct, 2.08¾, and Direct Fire 2.14¼, by Direct, 2.05½. They will be shipped abroad at once. Hopper, 2.11½ was also bought by the same gentleman and will go along with them.

Daughters of Nutwood, 2.18¾, furnished a greater number of the new standard performers of 1904 than those of any other sire—ten trotters and seven pacers. His daughters have already produced 179 trotters and 60 pacers that have made standard records, a total of 239. This gives him a long lead over any other stallion that has ever lived as a sire of producing dams.

An offer of $5000 has been refused for Nathan Straus, 2.04½, recently. Three years ago he was relegated to the speedway but showed so well that he was campaigned the following season and reduced his mark four seconds. Every one supposed of course he was all in but he was better than ever last summer and beat 2.05 four times in races.

One of the lessons taught by the Old Glory sale recently closed is that proprietors of large trotting breeding establishments with a fast stallion bred in popular lines at its head must either train and race and get of that stallion or induce some one else to do so in order to get the best prices either for the stallion himself or his get at public sale.

BOXING GOSSIP

The question, who is the featherweight champion, has been revived. The dethronement of Terry McGovern by Young Corbett and the latter's advancement to the lightweight ranks has left this division without a legitimate premier. For over ten years George Dixon was at the helm. Then came McGovern, who whipped Dixon. Now there are at least three boxers claiming the featherweight championship: Abe Attell of California, Harry Harris of Chicago, and Hughey McGovern. Harris and Attel can get to the weight without much trouble. McGovern is more of a bantam than anything else and says that if needs be he will fight at the featherweight limit and settle the argument.

It is a pretty state of affairs when such an important class as the featherweight is without a recognized leader. In England there are two men who can get to 122 pounds, the limit of this class, without turning a hair. They are Ben Jordan and Pedlar Palmer. Jordan has already defeated George Dixon and several other aspiring featherweights of this country who were acknowledged by experts as being the real thing. Outside of his defeat by Eddie Santry, Jordan never has been whipped at the weight. Santry put the Englishman to sleep, but the match was for no title. Since that contest Santry has met with reverses time and again, while the Briton has continued to win. Jordan says that the title really belongs to him, and he has excellent ground for this contention. It has been suggested that the best way to settle the question would be to let Attell, McGovern and Harris have it out between themselves. Let two of these meet in a 20 round bout and the winner meet the next man until Jordan is reached. Then let the victor of this last scrap be acknowledged as the featherweight champion of the world.

Battling Nelson, Young Corbett, Jimmy Britt and Eddie Hanlon are lightweights. So is Terry McGovern, and his assurance that he can get to 122 pounds once more without injuring his strength or affecting his chances of victory must be taken in a humorous way. McGovern weighs now 130 pounds. He is always in fair trim, so the best he can do, even if he trains as carefully and conscientiously as he usually does, would be 125 pounds. Britt has confessed that 133 pounds is his best weight at present. Battling Nelson likes 128 pounds, while Corbett has to work like a Trojan to even scale below the 130 pound notch. As for Hanlon, he has confessed that it is a severe strain on his system to even try to make 127 pounds.

Attell weighs in trim about 120 pounds, Harris about 121 pounds, and Hughey McGovern 118 pounds. While the latter has a fine record he has not had enough experience and should wait before going in for honors in this division. So the choice appears to be between Harris and Attell, as far as America is concerned. Perhaps some enterprising club may come forward and offer an enticing purse for a match on this order. Such a battle ought to attract a large crowd. Should these boys meet there is no doubt that Jordan could be induced to come here and meet the winner.

All kinds of novelties, Oriental Bazaar.

LOYALS, SOCIABLE.

The Loyals conducted a social last night in Prescott hall and the affair proved to be a grand success both from a social and financial standpoint. Music for dancing was furnished by Kittredge's orchestra. The officers of the affair were as follows: General manager, E. A. Armstrong, assistant general manager, Miss Annie Cummings; floor director, Roy Fuller; assistant flor director, Miss Bertha Richardson; chief aid, William Gray; aids, Frank Fove, Miss Gertrude McMillan, William Sawyer, Miss Susan LaMountain, G. Byam, Miss Etta Foster.

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FOR SALE—An old established grocery store on a busy street. Large order trade; clean, fresh stock of goods; horses, wagons, harnesses; one of the best stands in Lowell. Price $1800.

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WANTED—Responsible man to manage an office and distributing depot for large manufacturing concern. Salary $1,500 per annum and commissions. Applicant must have good references and $1,000. Capital secure. Address Supt. 823, West 12th street, Chicago.

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WANTED—At once a good table girl at 312 Market st.

WANTED

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WANTED—To buy Green Trading Stamp books partly filled. Address Box 173, No. Billerica.

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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that licenses for theatres, auctioneers and hawkers and pedlars will expire 31st December, 1904. Applications for licenses of this character for 1905 should be made at the office of the Board of Police on or before Saturday, December 24, 1904.

By order of Board of Police,
JOSEPH SMITH,
Clerk of Board.

BOSTON & MAINE R. R.

Corrected to October 10, 1904. Trains leave Merrimack Street Depot, Lowell, as follows:

For Boston, 5.43, 6.22, x6.45, 7.40, *8.50, *9.23, 11.00 a. m.; 1.40, 4.25, x6.44 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.45 a. m.

Trains leave Middlesex Street Station, Lowell, as follows:

For Boston, 5.46, 6.28, *6.39, x6.49, w6.50, 7.01, 7.24, 7.31, *7.48, 7.52, w*8.00, *8.57, w9.25, *9.33, w10.50, 11.05, *11.43 a. m.; w12.05, 12.14, w12.50, 1.44, *1.50, w2.30, w*3.10, *3.47, w3.55, 4.25, w5.06, 5.22, x5.40, w*6.15, *6.12, w7.00, 7.20, 9.30 p. m. SUNDAYS 6.30, 7.24, w8.16, 8.48, 9.20 a. m.; w12.10, 2.25, w3.55, w5.32, 5.29, w8.03 p. m.

For Lawrence, 6.28, w6.50, z7.31, w8.30, w9.25, w10.50 a. m.; w12.05, 1.28, w2.30, w3.55, w5.06, w6.15, w7.00, w9.30, w11.25 p. m. SUNDAYS, w8.15 a. m.; w12.10, w5.32 p. m.

For Salem, Mass., 7.31 a. m.; w12.05, 1.28, a2.30, a3.55, w5.06, 5.28 p. m.

For Haverhill, 6.28, 6.50, z7.31, 8.30, 9.25, 10.50 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, w3.55, w5.06, 6.15, 7.00, 9.30, 11.25 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.15, a. m.; 12.10, 5.32 p. m.

For Newburyport, Amesbury and Portsmouth, 6.28 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, 3.55, 6.15 p. m.

For Exeter and Dover, 6.28, z7.31, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, 3.55, 5.06 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.32 p. m.

For Rochester and Alton Bay, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 3.55 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.32 p. m.

For Somersworth, N. H., Saco, Old Orchard and Portland, 6.28, z7.31, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 3.55 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.32 p. m.

For Augusta, Bath, Waterville, 6.28, 8.30, a. m.; 12.05, 5.06 p. m.; SUNDAYS, 5.32 p. m.

For Lewiston, 6.28, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 5.06, p. m.

For Rockland, 8.30 a. m., 12.05 p. m.

For Skowhegan, 8.30 a. m.

For Bangor and Belfast, 6.28, 8.30 a. m.; 5.06 p. m. SUNDAYS 5.32 p. m.

For St. John, N. B., Halifax, N. S., 6.28 a. m.; 5.06 p. m. (5.06 does not run Saturdays.) SUNDAYS, 5.32 p. m.

For Eastport and St. John (via steamer from Portland) on Monday at 12.05 p. m.

For Castine, Deer Isle, Sedgewick, Bar Harbor, Jonesport, Machiasport (via steamer Frank Jones from Portland), Tuesday and Friday at 5.06 p. m.

Last trip of season, October 28, 1904.

For Woburn, 6.28, 7.01, *7.48, 11.05 a. m.; 1.44, 4.28 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.48 a. m.; 2.25, 5.29 p. m.

For Ayer Junction, Stations on W. N. & P. and Fitchburg Divisions, 7.07, 11.55 a. m.; 5.01 and 5.42 p. m. SUNDAYS, 2.15 p. m.

For Stations on W. N. & P. Division, Nashua to Portland, Me., 9.03 a. m. (3.40 p. m. to Rochester only.)

For Amherst, Milford and Wilton, 9.03 a. m.; 1.00, 3.40, 5.39 p. m. SUNDAYS, 2 p. m.

For Greenfield, Peterboro, Bennington, Hillsboro and Keene, 9.03 a. m.; 3.40 p. m. SUNDAYS to Hillsboro 2 p. m.

For Nashua, Manchester and Concord, 7.30, 9.03, 9.33, *10.39 a. m.; *12.09, 1.00, *1.39, 3.40, *5.39, 6.27, *5.10, *9.10 p. m. SUNDAYS, 10.02, 10.39 a. m.; 12.09, 2.00, 6.02, *5.10, *9.10 p. m.

For Franklin, Lebanon, White River Junction, 7.30, *9.33 a. m.; *12.09, *1.39, (to Franklin only), 5.39, *b8.10 p. m.

For Warner, Bradford, Sunapee, Newport, (N. H.), Claremont and Claremont Junction, 7.30 a. m.; 1.39 p. m.

For Stations on White Mt. Division, 9.30, *10.39 a. m.; 1.39 p. m. (5.39 p. m. to Plymouth); *b9.10 p. m.

For St. Johnsbury and Lyndonville, via Wells River, *10.39 a. m.; *1.39, *n9.10 p. m.

For Montpelier, Essex Junction, Burlington, St. Albans, St. Johns and Montreal via Central Vermont Line, *9.39 a. m.; *12.09, *b9.10 p. m.

QUEBEC EXPRESS, via Plymouth and Sherbrooke, *10.39 a. m.; *9.10 p. m. (daily except Saturdays.)

References:
a Via Wakefield Junction.
* Express. b Daily.
q Wednesdays and Saturdays only.
w Via Western Division.
x Via Bedford. z Via Wilmington Junc.

D. J. FLANDERS, Gen. Pass. and Ticket Agent.
H. C. TAFT, General Agent, Lowell.

SPECIAL NOTICES

REMOVES moles, wrinkles, freckles and black heads without steam or harming the complexion at the New York Hair Dressing Parlors. 97 Central st., Room 5.

SPECIAL NOTICE—To the Spiritualists of Lowell, a public circle will be held on Friday evening, Dec. 16, at the home of Mrs. Clara Adams, 355 Gorham st., opp. court house, come all.

WALL PAPER of good quality and a practical man to hang it, $2 per room, discount for quantities. T. H. Siddeley, 780 Gorham st.

STRICTLY FRESH EGGS, can be purchased every day of Mrs. C. B. Douglas, 12 Bertram st., Highlands.

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TO LET—1 3-room tenement. Inquire at 81 Chestnut st.

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TO LET—A good tenement at a low rent at 441 Moody street, handy to mills and business, everything separate.

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TO LET—12 room house near Shaw Stocking Co., fine location for boarders, rent reasonable. Apply to H. A. Wright, 10 Barristers' Hall.

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TO LET—Fine modern residence, 60 Sheldon street. Eight rooms, hot and cold water, cemented cellar floor and all latest improvements. Apply M. O'Donnell, St. James Hotel.

TO LET—Very convenient front and side room, single or otherwise, modern conveniences, reasonable to respectable parties 271 Gorham st. opp. Court House.

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FOR SALE—Hotel for sale, Bridgeport, Conn.; city eighty thousand; lease three years; thirty rooms, parlor and bar-room; steam heat, electric light and gas. Rent one hundred and thirty. New license price four thousand dollars. Address Hugh Mackinnon, Hotel Emerson, Bridgeport, Conn.

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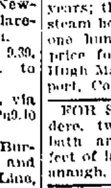

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MISCELLANEOUS

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WANTED—"Science and Health" by Mrs. Eddy. Editions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5. Address X Q Z 5, Sun office.

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LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Wrist bag on Haverhill car for Lawrence, Monday; left Haverhill at 2.30. Finder will receive liberal reward by leaving same at Telegram Office, Lawrence, Mass.

LOST—A gent's seal skin glove between Branch st. Engine House and voting Booth in Branch st. Finder will be rewarded by leaving at Highland Laundry.

LOST—A pocketbook yesterday some where between Mercier Hotel Lakeview or at Willow Dale entrance. Finder will be rewarded by leaving at Sun Office.

LOST—A string of gold beads, Tuesday afternoon. Reward offered at 213 Pawtucket st.

FOUND—A bank book. Inquire of M. H. Kelly, 137 Willie st.

LOST—A ten dollar bill in Pollard's store, Sat., Dec. 10th. Reward at 97 Durant st.

LOST—On Tuesday, Dec. 13, between Congress Ave., and voting Booth on Lincoln st. an ebony cane with silver handle, with owner's name. Please leave at 23 Congress Ave. and get reward. A. G. Swan.

LOST—Sum of money on Saturday, Dec. 10, between Middlesex and Chapel sts. Finder will be rewarded by returning same to 10 Chapel st.

LOST—Nov. 26, a pair of brown rosary beads with large medal attached. Return to 49 Bartlett st.

LOST—Wednesday evening, between Prescott hall and Central st. a large red agate stone brooch. Suitable reward paid on return to Carter & Sherburne's drug store.

SITUATIONS WANTED

SITUATION WANTED—By a Swede girl to do general housework. Call at 18 Manchester st.

WANTED—To do washing by day or week. Address, 296, Rear 4 Middlesex st.

WANTED—A situation by a thoroughly experienced stenographer and bookkeeper. Would make herself generally useful in an office. Good references. Address C. J., Sun Office.

MIDDLE AGED LADY would like to take care of two children. Address L., Sun Office.

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I HAVE A FEW hundred dollars to invest in a paying business where services are required for a fair salary. State nature of business. Address B., Sun Office.

WEAVER ELECTED

Common Council Concurred With Aldermen

FARNHAM ALSO ELECTED IM LOWER BRANCH

Mayor's Veto of Storm Guard Order Sustained

The common council met at 9 o'clock last evening at City hall and amid a lot of disgusting horse play transacted a few items of business, electing Frank L. Weaver to the water board in concurrence, electing Frederick J. Farnham superintendent of streets in non-concurrence and sustaining the mayor's veto of the joint order for $500 for storm guards on East Merrimack street.

There were 21 members present when President Braden called to order, and one of them must have stopped in somewhere on the way to the hall.

As soon as the roll had been called a motion was made to ballot for a member of the water board and was defeated. Councilman Hayes moved that the water board matter be laid on the table for two weeks. This also was defeated. Then Councilman Dodge severely criticised the other members for their school-boy play and his motion to ballot was carried. Moses Wyman received 8, Frank L. Weaver 10 and four scattering.

Councilman Donohue moved that another ballot be taken and after several minutes of horse play the ballot was taken and Frank L. Weaver received 16, Moses Wyman 6 and one scattering, and Mr. Weaver was declared elected.

The mayor's veto of $500 for storm guards on the East Merrimack street bridge was read and sustained by an almost unanimous vote.

It was then voted to proceed to ballot for a superintendent of streets for the unexpired term and Frederick W. Farnham received 10, Edward H. Simpson 5, Daniel W. Bugbee 7 and two scattering. After considerable "rough house" a second ballot was taken and Mr. Farnham received 12 votes, necessary for a choice, and was declared elected on the part of the common council.

Councilman Dodge then suggested that "this farce" had gone far enough and his motion to adjourn was declared carried with everyone talking.

The appropriations committee held a conference at city hall last evening and after discussing the piecing-out of appropriations adjourned to next Wednesday evening.

COUNCILMAN-ELECT HONORED.

The Knights of Sherwood last night tendered a reception to the new councilman, Leon Marcotte. Refreshments were served and a musical program was carried out.

RUSSIA'S PLANS

Extensive Reforms Will Be Made

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 15—There is no longer any doubt that the government intends to commit itself to very extensive reforms as the result of the liberal agitation begun when Prince Sviatopolk-Mirsky made his advent as minister of the interior. The zemstvos demands for a direct representative body to make the laws of the nation will not be granted, but some medium in the form of a representative consultative body, which can voice the wishes of the people direct to the sovereign, now seems the probable outcome. An entirely new law for the liberalization of the press also is apparently certain.

The plan for a consultation body first proposed by the late Prince Vasilchikoff twenty years ago in connection with the demand for a land parliament, forms the basis of the scheme at present under consideration. Prince Vasilchikoff contended that nine-tenths of the population of Russia was totally unprepared to exercise political rights, thus precluding the possibility of a general franchise. He proposed a zemskaya douma of land council, composed of zemstvo representatives, endowed with a consultative voice in the government. While nothing has been absolutely decided, Minister of the Interior Sviatopolk-Mirsky is said to favor this plan. In fact, it is his desire that Prince Vasilchikoff's son, who has recently published his father's memoirs, shall succeed him in the event that complete failure of his health compels him to retire.

FOR CHRISTMAS

A Piano

THE PLACE

LORD & CO.

Our store is filled with Piano Bargains. Great selection here. Easy terms and lowest prices in Lowell.

318 Merrimack St.

THRONG WAITED

Expected Duel Did Not Take Place

COL. GREENE FAILED TO MAKE GOOD

Second "Boston Massacre" Was Avoided

BOSTON, Dec. 15—An excited throng, numbering several thousand people, crowded State street yesterday afternoon and waited for hours for the expected duel between Thomas W. Lawson of Boston and Colonel Greene of New York.

Lawson received a telegram in the morning stating that Greene would reach Lawson's office at 3.30 p. m. Lawson immediately replied that his office was for other purposes, but that he would meet the colonel "in front of the Old State House on State street." This was the scene of the Crispus massacre, and Lawson's hint was that there would be a second massacre if Greene came. Grene did not come and the thousands were disappointed.

The duel had been expected for 24 hours. In half page advertisements Colonel Greene had announced that he would come to Boston Tuesday to denounce Lawson and do all sorts of things to him.

He did not come Tuesday, and then it was expected he would come yesterday. It looked as if he would really come when the following telegram was received by Lawson:

"Leave for Boston on 10 a. m. train from New York. Will be in at your State street office at 3.30 p. m.

(Signed) "W. C. GREENE."

Promptly Lawson wired the following reply addressed to Greene, "on board 10 a. m. train, New York for Boston:"

"Your wire that you will be at my State street office at 3.30 p. m. today received. As you seem anxious to do your business out in public, and as my office is for other purposes than your loud mouthings, I will meet you at the time named in State street in front of the Old State House, and as I have had sufficient of your loud blattings, I herewith notify you I will do all the denouncing that will be done.

(Signed) "THOMAS W. LAWSON."

Long before the specified hour the prospective battlefield assumed a "busy" appearance.

From Washington, State and Devonshire streets poured streams of humanity, and as if bound to a common cause, the incoming throngs centered at the State street end of the Old State House.

Lawson's message had found a quick response. At 3.30 o'clock, the time named for the meeting of the financial monarchs, the area was congested with people awaiting an outcome of the fiancial feud between Mr. Lawson and "Colonel Bill".

All had read the announcement that the man of guns and the hero of many battles was due.

POLICE ON THE SCENE.

"Do not allow murder to be committed here," was the message flashed from a nearby brokerage office to police headquarters, and forthwith a detail of police hastened to the affected district.

Stern-faced coppers took their positions, business men, clerks and store boys continued to argue about space, but above all arose the cry:

"Where is Colonel Bill Greene?"

Ten minutes after the specified time there came the heavy clatter of wheels and the barge of a transfer company dashed into the square.

"Hurrah for Colonel Bill. He's made good at last," yelled a bewhiskered individual who held a position on the corner of Devonshire and State streets.

From the vehicle descended two women.

"Nothing doing," came the disgusted chorus.

All eyes centered on that part of the Old State House which fronts on State street, and several suspicious looking individuals who ventured in that vicinity found themselves in trouble.

A most unlucky member of the day was a tall, stalwart man who possessed a flowing black moustache.

"There he is," went up the cry when he wonderingly turned the corner of Devonshire street.

Spectators fell back, burly bluecoats gripped their clubs and instantly the new arrival heard:

"Wait a minute, Colonel Greene, Mr. Lawson has not arrived yet," said a bystander.

"Not Colonel Greene, but Sam Pike of Kaintuck, and I'm going to the north station, suh," was the stranger's response.

He was allowed to disappear.

TRAFFIC SUSPENDED.

For over half an hour traffic was generally suspended. Street cars and drays alike found progress a difficult undertaking and drivers of the latter contentedly awaited the result, "pocketed" by the crowd on both sides.

But the crowd waited in vain. Calm and amused, Lawson watched the scene from a window in the building at 31 State street, but Colonel Greene did not arrive.

He said to a reporter: "Colonel Greene would have found me ready for either peace or war. I received the New York despatch in good faith and surely intended to meet him at the Old State House.

"Then at the last moment I learned that instead of being en route for Boston, Colonel Greene had not left his New York office. Of course there was then no necessity for my presence. The message may have been a fake, but that point will be investigated."

DIVORCE GRANTED

AGED LEOMINSTER COUPLE UNABLE TO AGREE.

WORCESTER, Dec. 15.—Judge Richardson, in the superior court yesterday granted a divorce to Maria B. Cowan of Leominster, aged 63, from her husband, Thomas B. Cowan, aged 69, for desertion. Mrs. Cowan testified that they were married in 1900, but lived together less than a year. She thought he was interested in a woman who used to be his housekeeper. It was the woman's fourth experiment in matrimony.

AMESBURY LOST

Natick Defeated Them in Fast Game

NATICK, Dec. 15.—The Natick team signalized its debut under the new local management last evening by defeating Amesbury, 50 to 31. From the start the locals set a pace which the visitors could not match, and only in the last period did the latter manage to make much headway. The game was fast in this period and abounded in clever floor work by the locals and difficult baskets by both.

Hough was everywhere and threw some hard baskets. Ferrat's blocking was a feature, and Mayhem made one phenomenal basket from the further end of the court. Healey's floor work and basket shooting, and the basket shooting of Marchal in the last period were clever. The summary:

NATICK		AMESBURY
Ferrat rf		lb Healey
Fogarty lf		rb Donnelly
Mulliner c		c Pennino
Hough rb		lf Henchell
		lf Marchal
Mayhem lb		rf Zanger

Score, Natick 50, Amesbury 31. Goals from floor, Hough 13, Marchal 5, Fogarty 4, Zanger 4, Mayhem 3, Healey 3, Ferrat 2, Mulliner 2, Henchell 2, Donnelly. Goals from fouls, Natick 2, Amesbury. Referee, Connors. Timer, A. E. Hoey. Time, three 15m periods. Attendance, 500.

LOWELL HIGH WON.

Lowell high school basketball team defeated Stoneham high team last night in the high school annex by a score of 36 to 21. The game at the end of the first period was 18 to 3 in favor of Lowell high. In the second period Stoneham made a good rally, the playing of Park at center being excellent. Richards and Farley led in basket throwing for Lowell. The summary:

LOWELL H. S.		STONEHAM H. S.
Scribner rf		lb Merryfield
Richards lf		rb Hovey
Farley c		c Park
Lew rb		lf Ervin
Field lb		rf Terbett

Score, Lowell High school 36, Stoneham high school 21. Goals, Richards 3, Park 8, Farley 5, Scribner 2, Field 2, Hovey, Merryfield. Point on foul, Stoneham. Umpire, Bixby. Referee, Conners. Timers, Gerry and Welch. Time, two 20m periods.

Natick at the armory tonight.

Harry Hough will play the entire three periods this evening and the Natick team intends to put up its strongest aggregation against Lowell.

Amesbury promises to be one of the best towns in the league. The people like the game there, having seen it played for several years by amateurs and besides Amesbury will be a great rival to Haverhill and Newburyport especially the latter place.

Manager Gray has made a deal for Associate hall and games will be played there beginning next Tuesday evening. The hall was leased to Manager Gray on condition that steps would be taken to prevent spitting on the floor. It is the hope of Manager Gray that patrons of the game will respect this request of the management in order that conditions of the lease may not be violated. As the hall is centrally located it is expected that the attendance at the games will show a great increase over what has been the patronage at the armory.

Vermont Man'f'g Co.'s Butterine.

Churns the finest quality of Butterine in the world, is in business again, their Butterine is way ahead of Western goods, fresh, sweet, tastes like fresh made June butter, 12 to 15c lb. Western Butterine 10 to 12c lb. Teas, best in Lowell at half price. Try our Irish tea. FLYNN'S MARKET, 157 Gorham st., Lowell, Mass.

AFTER ELECTION

Mayor Elect Casey Kept Busy Yesterday

POWER OF NEW MAYOR DISCUSSED

He May Use Effective Power of Veto

Hon. James B. Casey was the busiest man in Lowell, yesterday. Everywhere he went he was held up by congratulating friends while at his headquarters messages of congratulations and invitations poured in by mail, telephone and telegraph. As he walked along the street people pointed him out, turned around and looked after him, hats were doffed to him and those who knew him personally stopped him at every few feet of his way. Later in the afternoon when he had an hour to spare he was the guest of the Bohemian club and was entertained at an informal dinner. In the evening he kept a number of engagements and went home shortly before midnight. Between now and the first of the year, Mr. Casey will take a much needed rest.

The situation at City Hall is by no means a new one. In the past it has been frequently the case of mayor and aldermen being of opposite political faiths. The republicans control both branches of the city council and already James Gilbert Hill, chairman of the republican city committee is out for the position of city solicitor, and the position of city solicitor calls for a lawyer and an experienced one, rather than a politician. It is probable that a number of candidates will appear for the position now being held by Supt. Farnham, but with the fine showing made by Mr. Farnham in the short time he has been in office it is probable that he will not be disturbed. He is a most efficient official.

The new mayor will have few appointments to make but he will have the power of veto which in the hands of a careful executive may be used to good advantage of the taxpayer.

TO FIGHT TUBERCULOSIS

PHYSICIANS HAVE ORGANIZED A SOCIETY.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—At a meeting of physicians held here, preliminary steps have been taken for the organization of the Illinois society for the prevention of tuberculosis. The plan is to concentrate the efforts of the state board of health, the Illinois medical society, and the committee on tuberculosis of the Visiting Nurses' association of Chicago.

The first work of the society will be to try to secure a $250,000 appropriation for a state sanitarium, where researches can be conducted and consumptives treated. The next step will be to establish branches. Particular attention will be devoted to out of door camps.

ROBBED A CAR

TWO MEN UNDER ARREST IN SAN BERNARDINO.

SAN BERNARDINO, Cal., Dec. 15—Sidney Jarvis and Arthur Swindell, have been arrested near San Francisco and brought here charged with robbing the express car of the Santa Fe westbound train on the night of December 4, and killing expressman Evan O. Roberts Jarvis and Swindell were in the employ of F. J. Mackey, an English millionaire horseman and were employed at Chicago to come west with a car of horses.

SAVED BY BABY

Arlington Family Had Narrow Escape

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—The beautiful home of Thomas H. Connolly at 25 Elmore street, Arlington Heights, was badly damaged by fire, which broke out shortly before midnight.

Mr. Connolly was awakened by his baby's coughing from smoke, and found the house in flames. He aroused his wife and the rest of his children, and they succeeded in reaching the street in safety. An alarm was turned in from box 56, but as the house is situated on the top of one of Arlington's highest hills, the apparatus had difficulty in reaching the scene.

Mr. Connolly's furniture was destroyed and the house was damaged to the extent of several thousand dollars, most of the damage being on the two upper stories.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

Clan Grant held its annual meeting last evening and elected officers for the ensuing year. The officers are as follows: Past chief, B. D. Dobson, Alexander Ray; tanist, James Anderson; chaplain, James Dempster; corresponding secretary, J. Tait; financial secretary, D. A. McFadgen; treasurer, Robert Campbell; senior henchman, Robert Gaudie; junior henchman, Andrew Brown; seneschal, John McAdam; warden, James Patterson; physician, W. H. Gallagher.

The regular meeting of Rochambeau Council, R. A., was held last night and officers elected for the ensuing year. The officers chosen were as follows:

Homer L. P. Turcotte, regent; Ed. H. Boulanger, vice regent; J. J. B. Lebrun, orator; Majorique J. Cossette, past regent, David A. Parthenais, collector, reelected; George E. Mongeau, treasurer, reelected; Alberic Branchaud, chaplain; Albert Paquin, guide; A. Palardy, warden; T. Bourque, sentry; Dr. George E. Caisse, trustee for term of three years; David A. Parthenais, trustee of hospital bed association, for term of three years.

A social meeting, with supper and cigars, was enjoyed after business had been attended to.

Greenhalge council, No. 100, Loyal association, has elected the following officers: Alfred W. Wilkins, councillor; A. H. Stanley, vice-councillor; Geo. A. Roper, orator; Geo. S. Fenderson, past councillor; F. X. A. Hurtubise, recorder; W. F. Sanborn, collector; Geo. E. King, treasurer; Ralph W. Emerson, chaplain; Manfred S. Gulline, marshal; Arthur J. French, guardian; Ervin E. Smith, sentinel; A. W. David, trustee for three years. John S. Chandler representative to the state convention, John Hughes alternate.

TRAIN WRECKED

Fireman Killed and Engineer Injured

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Fast mail train No. 11 east-bound on the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad, was wrecked today two miles west of Bristol, Ill. Oscar Johnson, fireman, was killed and Engineer John Cowdrey was probably fatally injured.

The train was composed of mail coaches and carried no passengers. The mail clerks escaped injury.

LECTURE AND RECITAL.

Mr. William Burton Robinson, of Boston, a teacher of voice and basso, gave a lecture and recital in Room 31, Swan building, last night, which was well attended by lovers of music.

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SWITCH

Off Central Street and up Middle, No. 40, and get pure Witch Hazel and Glycerine for those chapped hands, all mixed—One Pint 25c

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40 Middle Street

SPECIAL

Five Horses at Keyes' Commission Rooms, Saturday, at 11 o'clock

HANDSOME BAY HORSE, "YANKEE LUCK, WEIGHS 1075 POUNDS, MARK OF 2.50½, TRIAL 10½. HE IS A VERY NICE FAMILY HORSE, IS ABSOLUTELY FEARLESS, AND PERFECTLY BROKEN TO ALL CITY OBJECTS, IS AN EXCEEDINGLY GOOD DRIVER, AND ALL HORSEMEN KNOW HE IS A BORN TROTTER, SAFE TO SPEED AT ANY TIME WITHOUT BOOTS; ALSO A LIGHT MARK CROSS HARNESS, COONSKIN ROBE. HANDSOME BAY MARE 8 YEARS OLD, WEIGHS 950 POUNDS, DRIVES TO AN OPEN BRIDLE, PERFECTLY FEARLESS, A NATURAL ROADSTER, 10 MILES AN HOUR AND CAN STEP A 2.40 GAIT. DARK BAY MARE, 6 YEARS OLD, WEIGHS 1350 POUNDS, SOUND, GOOD RELIABLE BUSINESS HORSE. GREY MARE 7 YEARS OLD, 1075 POUNDS, SOUND AND KIND AND A FINE BUSINESS HORSE. CHESTNUT HORSE 7 YEARS OLD, WEIGHS 1025 POUNDS, SOUND AND KIND, NOT AFRAID OF AUTOMOBILES, ELECTRIC, STEAM CARS, OR ANY CITY OBJECT.

SPECIAL SALE OF FURNITURE AT KEYES, COMMISSION ROOMS

SATURDAY, AT 2.30 O'CLOCK

The balance of the Furniture Stock will be sold. This stock was so large we could not exhibit it all at the last sale. It consists of Iron Beds, Dressers, 2 very nice Rugs 9 by 12, Rockers, Matting, etc. Goods will be on exhibition Friday. Rooms open Friday evening.

Only 3 More Days

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Up to Christmas we will redeem completed books of Legal Stamps on the basis of $2 in merchandise OF YOUR OWN SELECTION.

Free Groceries

With Our Christmas Basket Sale.

A $1 basket brimming over with value. We give you free six items amounting to 60c and make you a total saving of $1.10. What better gift for a needy friend could you purchase?

	Usual Price	Sale Price
2 lbs. Finest Gran. Sugar,	12	Free
2 lbs. Finest Rolled Oats,	.10	Free
½ pk. Maine Hebron Potatoes	.18	Free
3 Cal. Navel Oranges	.10	Free
2 4-oz. pkg. Egg-O-See	Free	Free
1 Tin Enameline Stove Polish	Free	Free
1 bot. Defender Vanilla Extract	.15	.10
1 lb. "Golden Rose" M. & J. Coffee	.35	.22
1 lb. "Golden Rose" Formosa Oolong Tea	.38	.20
1 pkg. Sage Seasoning	.10	.06
1 pkg. Best Corn Starch	.10	.07
2 lbs. Good Carolina Rice	.15	.10
¼-lb. pkg. Finered Cocoanut	.12	.07
1-lb. pkg. Eagle Thistle Baking Soda	.09	.06
1 lb. Fresh Baked Ginger Snaps	.09	.07
1 Serviceable Market Basket	.08	.05
ALL FOR $1.00	$2.11	$1.00

MEAT DEPARTMENT

Fancy Spring Lamb (short legs) 13c lb.
Best Lamb Chops....15c lb.
Atwood's Hamburger Steak..2 lbs. 15c
Fancy Fresh Rib Roast Beef ..10c lb.
Fresh Pork Loins....11c lb.
Fresh Killed Chickens....18c lb.
Fresh Killed Fowls....16c lb.
Full line of Veal, Steaks, German Goods, etc.

Eight Day Christmas Grocery Sale

We've made ideal preparation for our great Christmas sale. Our store is filled with just those things that the most modest purse will allow and the most critical judgment commend. High qualities and little prices, carrying so much saving, will make Christmas a merrier one for you than ever before.

STAMP SPECIALS

LOWEST PRICES QUOTED ANYWHERE WITH LIBERAL QUANTITIES LEGAL OR GREEN STAMPS.

$2 IN STAMPS (20) with 2 cans baby Maine Corn, can 15 CENTS

$1 IN STAMPS (10) with 5 lbs. Rolled Oats....15 CENTS

$1 in STAMPS (10) with ½ peck fine hand-picked York State Pea Beans....30 CENTS

$1 IN STAMPS (10) with 1-lb. jar finest pure Fruit Preserves, jar ....15 CENTS

$3 IN STAMPS (30) with 5 lbs. of best rib-cut Pork. 55 CENTS

$1 IN STAMPS (10) with 1 pkg. of Postum Cereal Coffee, pkg. 12 CENTS

$1 IN STAMPS (10) with 2 cans "Golden Rose" Soups, any kind, 2 cans....16 CENTS

$2 IN STAMPS (20) with 2 pkgs. of Corn Starch, pkg. 7 CENTS

$2 IN STAMPS (20) with 2 cans Webster brand whole fruit Tomatoes, can ....10 CENTS

$1 IN STAMPS (10) with 1-lb. of Fig-bar Crackers, new goods, lb. ....12 CENTS

$1 IN STAMPS (10) with 1 pkg. of F. & L. Macaroni, pkg. 10 CENTS

$2 IN STAMPS (20) with 1 jar of Liebig's Beef Extract, jar 25 CENTS

$2 IN STAMPS (20) with 1-lb. pkg. Black Pepper, Ginger or Mustard, lb....25 CENTS

$2 IN STAMPS (20) with 1-lb. can Ginter's "Golden Rose" Cocoa, can....35 CENTS

CHRISTMAS TURKEYS

Just a few lines to tell you about our Christmas Turkeys. We've got a large shipment of young, plump and fresh-killed Turkeys on the way from old Vermont. If economy is an object, you will watch out for our announcement next week.

FLOUR.

"Golden Rose" Brand. Price reduced to....Bbl., $6.69; Bag, 59c

BUTTER.

"Golden Rose", finest Vermont Butter, lb. 26c

Finest Elgin Butter, "Locust Valley" Brand, lb. 22c

EGGS.

"Eastern" Brand. Fresh laid, doz. 23c

"Pine Grove" Brand; fancy, selected stock, doz. 33c

COFFEE.

"Golden Rose" Brand, Mocha and Java....5 lbs. $1.00; lb. 22c

"Pride of Aden," super-fine Mocha and Java, (3 for 1 stamps), lb....25c

TEA.

"Golden Rose" Brand. All kinds, (3 for 1 stamps)..3 lbs. $1.00; lb. 35c

"Imperial Garden" Brand Teas, lb. 45c (15 Stamps with each 2 lbs.)

CHRISTMAS SPECIALS.

Christmas Broken Candy or Cornucopia Mixture, 2 lbs....25c
Chocolate and Lemon Mixture, freshest and purest made, lb.... 25c and 27c
[illegible] French Mixtures lb.... [illegible]
Loose Cal. Raisins, lb.... 6c, 8c and 10c
Seeded Raisins lb pkg....8c and 10c
New Washed Currants, lb. pkg.... 8c
Good Citron, lb. 12c, Best Citron, lb.. 15c
Orange and Lemon Peel, lb....15c
Condensed Mincemeat, lb. pkg. 8c and 10c
New Mixed Nuts lb.... 12c and 15c
Soft Shell Walnuts, lb....18c
New Prunes, 2 lbs....[illegible]
Very Large Prunes, 2 lbs....15c
Cape Cod Cranberries, 2 qts....15c
5-lb. stone jar H. A. Johnson's Cranberry or finest preserve 47c
3-lb. cans Finest Hubbard Squash or Pumpkin 12c
California Lemon Cling Peaches, can 22c
1 lb. Fancy Moor Park Apricots....16c
3 lbs. Bulk Dates.. ....20c
1-lb. cans Fancy Strawberries 10c

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SWORN CIRCULATION OF THE SUN

The sworn daily average circulation of The Lowell Sun for the year 1903, was **14,590** A gain of 1083 copies per day over the average for the year of 1902.

Sworn to by John H. Harrington, proprietor, Martin H. Reidy, business manager, and Alfred Pilotte, pressman of The Sun, before me, January 1, 1904. JOHN J. HOGAN, Notary Public.

☞This is a larger circulation than the combined circulation of all the other daily papers in Lowell.

☞An advertisement placed in The Sun is of more value to the advertiser than if it were inserted in all the other newspapers in Lowell, and the cost of inserting it in The Sun is about ONE-THIRD the price charged by the other papers.

Greene did not keep his promise to call upon Mr. Lawson in Boston. Now, it is said, Mr. Lawson is going to New York to see Mr. Greene. The interview should be interesting if either man means half what he says.

The experience of ex-Mayor McNamee in Cambridge and ex-Mayor Hurley in Salem tends to show that the mayor who goes out of office in defeat is not likely to succeed as candidate for re-election after a year or two of private life.

It would be very nice in Mr. Carnegie if he should decide to recoup the banks in the losses they have sustained through bogus collateral bearing his name. He is reported in poor health and may be in real danger of dying rich despite his efforts to avert such a calamity.

CONGRESS AND THE MOTH PEST.

Congress is not inclined to appropriate money for the extermination of the brown-tail moth in this state but will make a large appropriation to stamp out the boll weevil in Texas. The secretary of agriculture favors the latter and says Massachusetts should meet the expense of ridding itself of the moth pest.

THE GREAT CANAL QUESTION.

Before the work of constructing the isthmian canal proceeds very far, the question of deciding whether it shall be a sea level or a locks canal must be settled. Mr. Bunau-Varilla, who was for years the engineer of the Panama canal, says the cost of a sea level canal would be $100,000,000 greater than the cost of a canal of locks. Besides the time required for the construction would probably be doubled. With these facts in mind it is probable that the canal will be built with locks experimentally at least with the understanding that when the exigencies of commerce demand the other, it shall be built. The whole scheme is an engineering problem of no small magnitude.

REJECTION OF THE LUCE LAW.

In Tuesday's municipal elections in nineteen Massachusetts cities as in the elections of a week previous the Luce law got a black eye, five other cities having rejected it. That augers badly for the fate of this law over which there was so much discussion. Nevertheless the law is in force in Lowell and has had good results. The political machine has no use for the Luce law, the chief object of which is to overthrow the machine and give effect to the will of the people. All we can say in regard to the matter is, that where the law has been rejected, the people have been hoodwinked or else did not understand the workings of the law. The city of Lowell has adopted the law and thus far it has given general satisfaction.

THE BOSTON ELECTION.

It must be consoling to the democratic city of Boston to be deprived of the power of electing the aldermen of her choice. In virtue of a law passed by the legislature, the democratic majority must elect a republican minority. There were thirteen candidates on the ballot of both parties, but no voter could vote for more than seven from the entire number. Much curiosity was felt as to the outcome and much indignation by democrats at finding their privilege of voting for thirteen democratic candidates for aldermen overruled by a republican legislature. With the passage of such a law as this, the legislature should restore to the city of Boston her right to manage her police force and to make up her list of voters. Nothing but rank partisanship would ever suggest such a thing as depriving a progressive city of the management of her police department or the makeup of her list of voters. It is a most flagrant injustice to the citizens and a most barefaced violation of the principle of home rule, but in spite of the law the democrats elected ten of the thirteen aldermen. The republicans have a minority but it is insignificant. The laugh is on the legislature.

DANGER OF REVOLUTION IN RUSSIA.

There is an evident undercurrent of revolution working to the surface in Russia, a revolution which will not be much longer suppressed if the Czar refuses to grant concessions such as are demanded by the Zemstvos. The rioting which has already alarmed the authorities, gives evidence of a strong determination to wrest from the government a constitution that will recognize the right of the people to a share in the government and give them proper representation in the law making body. The Czar it appears is disposed to grant the popular reforms demanded; but absolute monarch though he be, he is surrounded by fossils even more absolute, so absolute and tyrannical that they will brook no compromise with the people. These are the worst enemies of the empire and if the Czar does not show the independence necessary to overrule them he is bound to have serious trouble in his empire.

At the present juncture while the nation is engaged in a desperate war, it would be fatal to Russian chances of victory to allow any popular disturbance to gain headway. The Czar seems to realize the danger as when the Zemstvos presented their petition he surprised those around him by requesting a conference with a delegation representing the Zemstvos, stating at the same time that he wished for time to look into the matter. This was a most conciliatory answer and unless the Czar gives way to unwise counsellors he will meet the Zemstvos and pacify them by granting liberal concessions. That is the only means by which he can preserve internal peace while the nation is engaged in a death struggle with Japan.

EXTRAVAGANCE OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.

The congress of the United States is proceeding to make this by far the most expensive administration in the history of the country.

There will be a treasury deficit of some $30,000,000 for the current fiscal year. More than half the appropriations are for war or the contingencies of war and under an administration such as the present it is useless to propose any reduction in these expenses. This nation is actually to be placed on a war footing as much as is England, Russia or France. Before the Spanish war the average cost of the army and navy was less than $100,000,000, while at present it is over $200,000,000 and yet there are those in the government at Washington, including the president himself, who think that the appropriation for these departments are not nearly large enough.

To meet the deficiency there must be an increase in direct taxation, an increase of the burdens resting upon the shoulders of the people, either in the form of the stamp tax or a bond issue. The latter is reserved for national emergencies, and so should be the former, but the tendencies of the government are directed towards one of these two methods of meeting the government deficiency. With such a state of affairs, it will be difficult to get the republicans moved to reduce the tariff at any point. The revenue is needed and that it comes from the tariff duties which oppress the people is not likely to disturb the republicans so long as they need the money to meet the treasury deficit.

SEEN AND HEARD

If one half of the men who are Casey men today voted for him on election day he would have had a monstrous plurality.

The day of the independent voter has dawned. He has thrown off all yokes including that of the man who is licensed to sell poison.

There are a great many families in the city who are in hard circumstances. Christmas is near at hand and those of us who can spare it should do a little to brighten the day for those whose means are limited. Inquire of Agent Richardson of the Humane Society and he will tell you where a dollar will do the most good. Forget yourself for a little while and contribute in a small measure to the poor and needy.

The joke was on George H——n, a well-known local bartender, who heard at a late hour Tuesday night that the city had gone no-license. He was attending a performance at a local theatre at the time and runners had been keeping him posted on the way the license vote was going, but evidently the messenger had been "fixed" for shortly after nine o'clock he received a note stating that with two precincts to hear from the city had gone "no" by 313. George saw his good job floating through the air, and with a sick heart he left the theatre and rushed through the streets to city hall where he inquired by how much the city had gone "no." "Lock that man up," said one of the men at the city clerk's office, "he must have gone 'bug.'" A few more ejaculations of a similar nature and George pinched himself to see if he was asleep. He finally learned that the city went license by a big majority and the hall could not hold him. He is now swearing vengeance on the man who circulated the false report and almost caused his heart to stop beating. He says he will get square with "Dick" if it takes a lifetime.

SECRETARY SHAW

HAD CONFERENCE WITH FLOUR MILLING REPRESENTATIVES.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15—At the request of Secretary Shaw, representatives of a number of the leading flour milling interests of the country yesterday conferred with the secretary on the subject of the regulations now in preparation to allow drawback on exported flour made in part from the imported wheat.

At the conclusion of the conference a statement made by Secretary Shaw was given out, saying in part:

"The only proposition over which any controversy has arisen relates to the manufacture of flour composed in part of Canadian and in part of home-grown wheat. The secretary of the treasury has not yet passed on this proposition. The legal phrase has been submitted to the attorney general.

"If the application for drawback on flour from mixed wheat is allowed, regulations will be so drawn as to insure the payment of duty on every bushel of Canadian wheat that comes in.

"The importance of the subject will be appreciated when it is known that during October 1903, 1,800,000 barrels of American made flour were exported, and in October 1904, less than 800,000 barrels. In other words, the exportation of American made flour has fallen off during the present season, more than one half. If the European bakers that have been using American made flour change, it will be next to impossible to get the trade back and it can never be gotten back until the American farmer sells his wheat cheap enough to permit the American miller to undersell."

PROBATE COURT

JUDGES McINTIRE AND LAWTON.

Wills presented for probate at Cambridge, Dec. 13: Henry Richardson, Belmont, W. T. Moore, Lowell; G. H. Holden, Stoneham; Cornelius Coughlin, Littleton; Louise Hill, Wakefield; Mahala Joyce, Medford; J. E. Clapp, Malden; S. S. Pollard, Malden; C. H. Crane, Somerville; Emma Acorn, Framingham; Thomas Keefe, Melrose; Lydia Mahon, Malden; Mary Doherty, Stoneham; Adelaide Hubbard, Dracut; Henry Eaton, Wakefield; Sarah Guild, Cambridge; T. P. Holmes, Stoneham; Laura Upton, Townsend; Lyman Mead, Acton; H. W. Coolidge, Holliston; Martin Hughes, Newton; Sarah Farrar, Pepperell; T. W. Kenney, Woburn; Le Roy Talbot, Billerica.

Administrations: Bridget Dunlay of Lowell; H. W. Broad, Reading; Edward Allen, Watertown; C. L. Simpson, Natick; J. R. Kenney, Somerville; G. C. Howe, Natick; Mary Lyons, Watertown; Helen Beede, Stow; Harriet Porter, Newton; M. M. Rogers, Cambridge; R. N. Yancey, Stoneham; Lena Lamb, Cambridge; J. L. Nash, Framingham; Alicia Pierce, Tyngsboro; Susan Earle, Cambridge; Mary Sullivan, Somerville; Emeline Johnson, Shirley; Martha Coolidge, Watertown; T. W. Crowe, Winchester; John Cummings, Cambridge.

ENDED HER LIFE

WOMAN JUMPED FROM A FERRY BOAT.

BOSTON, Dec 15—Mrs. John W. Parker, of 50 Blanche street, Dorchester, ended her life by jumping from an East Boston ferry boat last evening. She was alive when taken from the water by the crew of a tug boat, but died before medical aid could reach her. Mrs. Parker was 50 years old and has had considerable sickness within the past three months, although she appeared to be in good health when she left home yesterday afternoon.

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OF PARK SYSTEMS

Some Systems of Outer Park Systems

Following is an interesting article on the "Outer-Park System of America" by Andrew Wright Crawford, secretary of the allied organization for a comprehensive park movement of Philadelphia:

The dawn of the twentieth century has discovered a movement that is rich with promise for urban life. The desire for civic beauty is upon us; not the effeminate, anaemic beauty whose delicate existence depends on artificial light and air, but the vigorous, full-blooded beauty of nature herself.

It was this desire that was conceived in the last decade of the last century. It was realized in one instance. That realization led to the fulfillment of another dream. A third ideal seemed possible, the attempt was made, and success was achieved. And so achievement has followed achievement until the "city beautiful" is no longer dreamed about; it is planned. It is no longer proposed in the abstract; it is secured in the concrete.

In 1893 there seemed to be no harm in allowing a few enthusiasts to show what might be done in the way of making a plan for an outer-park system for Boston. The plan was drawn. It showed the surprising possibilities of the environs of Boston. The Metropolitan park commission was thereupon appointed, and since 1894 has been carrying out the suggestions of the preliminary commission, until now Boston and its suburbs have the greatest park system in this country, and perhaps the most comprehensive in the world. Within eleven miles of the state house, the area covered by the metropolitan district, there are thirty-nine different municipal corporations.

The metropolitan system does not include the local parks of the various municipal corporations within the district. The corporation of Boston has 2359 acres. Many of the thirty-eight other cities and towns have extensive holdings of their own. The object of the metropolitan park commission was to connect these scattered holdings by parkways, and to add to them large reservations in the outlying districts. To December 1, 1903, the commission had expended $11,196,841, over three-fifths of which was spent for the land. And yet more. The legislature of 1903 then directed a completion of the metropolitan parks system by making the additional appropriation of $3,000,000, subject to the provision that $300,000 only should become available in each of the ensuing five years. The reservations under the care of the metropolitan commission contain 9247 acres; it has constructed fifteen miles of parkway connecting links, and has title to the land for ten miles more.

With the park holdings of Boston and the other cities and towns included in the metropolitan district there are, within eleven miles of the state house, 15,175 acres of parks. The grand total of cost of land and improvements of both the local and the metropolitan systems within the district is $33,275,052. The average annual cost of maintenance of both local and metropolitan systems is $521,465, about evenly divided between the two.

The park system embraces the five most prominent features of the country around Boston. These are the three river valleys and the two highlands. Of the latter, one is the Middlesex Fells, covering 1883 acres, and the other the Blue Hills Reservation, covering 4865 acres, and situated eleven miles from the state house. The system also includes reservations along the ocean front, which are particularly popular with the inhabitants of Boston. One park is connected by a parkway with another park, continuously. This is what is meant by a park "system." The northern portion of the system has no connection with the southern portion, although each division is thoroughly linked into a coordinated series of parks and parkways. The connection between the two portions will probably be made by a parkway leading from the Harvard bridge, across Cambridge and Summerville, to the Fellsway. The reservation along the south bank of the Charles river will be continued by the Boston park commission eastwardly to the Charles bank playground.

In the same year that Boston began the acquisition of its system, a scheme of surrounding parks and boulevards was suggested for Kansas City. By 1901 it was largely acquired, and some extensions have since been made. The principle of this system is the same as that of Boston and of the outer-park systems that are being acquired elsewhere. The twenty-four new small parks covering two hundred and four acres, the acquisition of fifty-eight miles of formal and valley parkways, in widths varying from two hundred feet to a quarter of a mile, and with yet larger outlying reservations.

The Olmsted Brothers were likewise employed to prepare plans for connecting the parks of Louisville with each other, and for securing park systems for Portland, Ore., and Seattle, Wash. These reports are scarcely a year old. The report of the King's Highway commission of St. Louis, on a continuous connection between its principal parks, was presented in March, 1903.

Other cities have park systems partly acquired. Through the heart of Omaha a parkway has been secured in the last few years, and it is proposed to obtain other and larger parks in the outlying sections, connecting them with the system so far constructed. Five miles of a surrounding parkway are now in use in Toledo. In Hartford, Conn., the parks of the system have been practically secured, and their connection by parkways is just beginning. One link will probably be opened this summer. Springfield, Ill., and Springfield, Mass., are at work, as are many of the smaller cities. One that has made considerable progress is Harrisburg, where sixty public-spirited citizens secured the services of Mr. Warren H. Manning in planning a park system two or three years ago. Part of his recommendations have already been carried out, and it is considered likely that the whole plan will be adopted.

In Buffalo one of the most complete systems has been acquired, and one that offers great variety, due to its admirable city plan, which spreads out in the shape of a fan from Niagara square, the centre of the city.

The boulevards of Chicago were perhaps the best known of any in the country until the last few years, but Chicago has been very backward in the acquisition of the small parks and playgrounds that form a city's lungs, and of the great parks that, on account of their size, are generally called "country" parks. It has sharply realized this recently, and is in a fair way to remedy its want. Mr. J. F. Foster, general superintendent of the South Park commission, thus epitomizes the situation: "The North Side commissioners have authority to expend one-half million dollars for small parks or playgrounds. The West Side commissioners have also been authorized to expend one million, and the South Park commissioners one million. The South Park commissioners have also been authorized to expend three million dollars in the acquiring and improvement of larger parks. These funds are available, and will be used without delay by the South Park commissioners, at any rate, in the carrying out of the intention of the law. Fourteen new parks have been selected, the land has largely been purchased, and the plans of most of them have been adopted. The president of the board of county commissioners has appointed a committee of members of the county commissioners, the different park boards, the common council, and public-spirited citizens, for the purpose of taking what steps are necessary to bring about the establishment of an outer system of park reservation, something similar to that existing about Boston." Mr. Dwight Heald Perkins has been employed to prepare such a park system, both by the city of Chicago and Cook county.

An exceptionally encouraging sign is that business organizations are among the leaders in this advance. It is the Cleveland chamber of commerce that is principally responsible for the adoption of that city's group plan. It was due to the Merchants' Association of San Francisco that last November there was an affirmative popular vote on a loan of two million dollars for the acquirement of parks, a portion of which will link Golden Gate park with the Presidio, a government reservation. The Philadelphia board of trade, the Merchants' and Travelers' association, and the Retail Grocers' association are among the forty organizations agitating a complete system for Philadelphia, and the Trades league joined in a meeting held this spring to further the movement. Similarly, Queens county board of trade, the Metropolitan avenue board of trade, and the West End board of trade are three of twenty-three organizations that have formed "The United Civic Associations of the Borough of Queens," among the objects of which is the acquisition of a park system combined with "a broad-minded development of the city plan" of that portion of greater New York. The Staten Island chamber of commerce a year ago presented a report on a proposed park system of four thousand acres for that residential section of the metropolis.

The great movement that has spread throughout the country shows that the entire nation is ready for such extended developments. It sees their utility not only from the aesthetic, but from the business and hygienic points of view. Many cities are executing extensive plans for outer-park systems, and radical schemes are being undertaken for the embellishment of their inner sections.

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MME. PATTI'S CONCERT.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 15—Mme. Adelina Patti gave a concert here last night for the benefit of the Red Cross society under the auspices of the Grand Duchess Maria Pavlovna. The concert was a brilliant success, netting over $37,000. Seats were sold at fabulous prices. Emperor Nicholas, members of the imperial family and all the wealth and rank of the Russian capital were present. The diplomatic corps was represented by Spencer Eddy, the American charge d'affaires.

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TOOK HIS LIFE

Man Was Discouraged and Out of Work

TRIED HARD TO GET FOOD FOR CHILDREN

Lost His Position Because of Illness

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—After trudging through the snow from one end of the city to the other in the vain hope of securing employment, his wife and six children without food and ordered to leave their home in an upper East Side tenement house because of nonpayment of rent, John Corcoran, a clerk, today ended his life by drinking carbolic acid.

Corcoran lost his position three weeks ago through illness and during the period of idleness his scanty savings disappeared. Yesterday Corcoran obtained work with a gang of city snow shovelers but he was too weak from illness and was forced to quit after an hour's trial with the shovel. Then the task of searching for employment was again resumed. Thoroughly discouraged Corcoran returned home last night to find his wife and children without food and the notice of dispossession on the door.

"I'll be back soon with better news," he told his wife.

Early this morning Corcoran returned, went back to the kitchen and without saying a word started to raise a bottle of carbolic acid to his lips. The woman realizing what he was about to do, leaped to take it from him and then ensued a struggle in the presence of the six little ones, in which the man finally conquered and drank the poison. When an ambulance surgeon arrived Corcoran was dead.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC

Lovers of the good and beautiful in fiction will no doubt be gratified to learn that an opportunity will be given them to follow the career of gentle "Dora Thorne," the story that made Bertha M. Clay famous; in a dramatization which has been put forth for the first time this season. Who have not laughed and cried with the fortunate, and still unfortunate Dora, following her through her loves, hopes and vicissitudes with deep-rooted interest; and when the story of her life was ended, laying it aside reluctantly as though parting from a beloved friend. And then the beautiful little twins, the manly and impulsive Ronald Earle, the sentuesque Valentine Charteris; all the well known characters come to life, and tell the beautiful story all over again. This play may well be termed "Pure as the Lilies," refreshing and wholesome, and is surely a play for all, reaching all and pleasing all in its direct touches into the hearts and home life of the rich as well as the poor. This splendid production will be seen at the Academy of Music for three nights with daily matinees commencing this afternoon.

MORE TROUBLE

Sitting of Hungarian Parliament Suspended

BUDAPEST, Dec. 15—The parliamentary truce has been short lived. The session of the Hungarian parliament today witnessed a repetition of the turbulence which has marked most of the recent sittings. The members of the opposition emphatically declined to recognize the new rules of procedure and greeted Premier Tizsea's attempts to speak with such a storm of invective and other noisy interruptions that the sitting had to be suspended repeatedly. Premier Tizsea essayed to speak, but although prior to the third suspension of the sitting he stood for 30 minutes appealing for a hearing he was finally forced to desist by the deafening din caused by an unceasing chorus of "Resign" from the members of the united opposition.

MR. FOSTER'S PAPER

FAVORS RAISING HIS OWN HELP ON FARM.

Howard W. Foster of Tewksbury read an interesting paper on farming before the convention of the State Grange at Greenfield. Speaking of the farmers' home he said:

The help question on the farm is a serious one and we see no solution unless we raise our own help. We are quick to see the advantage of owning thoroughbred stock. How proud the farmer is of his thoroughbred horses and cows! How about thoroughbred young farmers, and blue-ribbon young housekeepers, trustworthy, cultured, quick of hand and brain?

"Give them an interest and they will take an interest," is as true today as ever. Let the farmer give his sons and daughters every advantage possible, let the "old folks at home" keep pace as well as they can with the young folks at school, let them be receptive to new ideas and responsive to high ambitions, then truly the farmers' home will be the happiest place on earth, and its members, nature's noble men and noble women.

SENATOR CRANE

CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE ON INDUSTRIAL EXPOSITIONS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The report of the committee empowered to fill vacancies in senate committees was made to the senate yesterday. It involved a number of changes by old senators to make places for Senators Dick of Ohio, Crane of Massachusetts and Knox of Pennsylvania. Two important chairmanships were filled. They were Senator Mitchell for inter-oceanic canals, and Senator Platt of Connecticut for judiciary. The report of assignments includes:

Senator Crane—Industrial expositions, chairman; Canadian relations, to examine the several branches of the civil service, postoffice and post roads, public buildings and grounds.

Senator Dick—Indian depredations, chairman; engrossed bills, mines and mining, naval affairs, territories.

Senator Knox—Coast defenses, chairman; Indian affairs, inter-oceanic canals, organization, conduct and expenditures of the executive departments, privileges and elections.

JAMES W. BINGHAM

OLD MAN BINGHAM

On Trial in Criminal Court in Cambridge

In the superior criminal court at East Cambridge yesterday several Lowell cases were heard including that of George M. Bingham, the grandfatherly looking old man who had dealings with men in this city who sell trip books between here and Boston. The men in question, Milon D. Brown and Sidney Drewett, did not like the way that the patriarchal appearing man did business. He gave them checks that were no good and he wrote funny letters to them. He asked them to wait when patience had ceased to be a virtue and endeavored to smooth over the rough places in his business transactions by inviting the men with whom he had dealings to dine with him. Bingham was old enough to be original and his ways were peculiar.

When his case was called yesterday he immediately asked for a continuance and he used the same plea as he used in the lower court. He said that he was waiting for counsel, Frederick D. Preston of Boston. When asked if he had communicated with him he said he had written him and that he was waiting a reply.

Judge Lawton instructed an officer to telephone to Mr. Preston and ascertain if Mr. Bingham was telling the truth. The officer learned that Mr. Preston had heard from Mr. Bingham. He was unable to attend to the case himself, he said, but would send a substitute counsel. F. L. Banks appeared for Bingham and the complaint with its numerous counts were read. When the government rested its case Bingham was sworn and told the following story:

"I lived at 1069 Main street, Melrose Highlands. I have been a dealer in real estate. I have 100 lots in Cape Cod in my hands, but I have not a deed of them. I have bought and sold real estate on commission.

"I had certain business dealings with Sidney Drewett. I owed him $9 for a trip book and presented a $10 gold piece, receiving $1 in change. At the time I sent Drewett a check I thought I had a balance in the bank sufficient to cover the check. I paid Drewett in full after I was arrested. Mr. Ball received his check at a time that I understood I had funds in the bank. I was careless in keeping my accounts. If I exceeded my account, God knows it was not with the idea of cheating anybody. I had some real estate transactions on hand at the time that I offered these checks and I counted on them.

"As to the letters, I got to the point where I couldn't meet the checks, and these parties began to threaten me. I knew it wasn't just the right thing to do, but I was trying to avoid trouble by gaining a delay. I certainly have sea shore lots. I placed them in the hands of brokers and was expecting $1500 on the sale of them. The broker lived in Philadelphia. The checks that I passed represent $80.50. My wife is sick, my mother is 92 years old, and I have a daughter, all three being dependent upon me for support.

"Had I not been arrested on a Sunday I would have been able to pay my debts on checks on Monday."

His case will be disposed of today.

The cases of Krakor Ahiljian and Lizzie Emoklan, charged with adultery, were taken up. Both pleaded guilty. The woman who had been arrested before was sentenced to four months to the house of correction and the man was placed on probation.

Lawrence F. Scully and Nellie Freeman of Lowell were charged with lewd and lascivious cohabitation. The man pleaded guilty and the woman not guilty, but subsequently she changed her plea. A sentence of three months to the house of correction in each case was imposed.

MASS MEETING

HELD BY FRIENDS OF RUSSIAN FREEDOM.

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—A mass meeting under the auspices of the "Friends of Russian Freedom" over which William Dudley Foulke, of Indiana, the president of the national organization, presided, was held in Faneuil hall last night. Addresses were made by a number of well known speakers.

The latter included President Foulke, Prof. F. C. Sumichrast, and Prof. Leo Wiener of Harvard university; Mrs. Julia Ward Howe, Henry Blackwell, Mme. Breshkovskaya, the Russian exile and for 25 years the Russian political prisoner; Mr. Abraham Kahan of New York; Mr. Philip Davis, Mr. Romaskovitch and Mr. Shitlovsky of Boston.

Resolutions which embodied the sentiments of the gathering were adopted as follows:

Resolved, that as loyal Americans we extend our deepest sympathies to those brave, enlightened Russians who are sustaining the heavy burden of the selfsame struggle for liberty and human rights which make our own republic possible.

Resolved, that we do honor in our hearts and memories to the martyrs of the holy struggle for Russian freedom who have given their lives to the cause, by actual death or by the living death of prison and exile.

XAVERIAN BROTHERS

EIGHTEEN YOUNG MEN RECEIVED INTO THE ORDER.

The following is from the Baltimore Sun:

"The golden jubilee of the proclamation of the dogma of the Immaculate Conception was celebrated at the novitiate of the Xaverian Brothers connected with Mount St. Joseph's college in a manner befitting the solemn day.

Eighteen candidates, the largest number in the history of the novitiate, were vested in the habit of the congregation and entered upon a two years' novitiate, or preparation, before being fully admitted as members. The young men's courses of studies for these years will be "know thyself" as a foundation, the various phases of religious life as a background and a regular normal course as a means.

Rev. Vincent Garavan, C. P., chaplain of the college, conducted the exercises. The choir, consisting of brothers and a number of students from the college, sang the responses, hymns, psalms and a Gregorian mass. After the query whether it was of their own free will that they made their request he spoke to the aspirants on the important step they were about to take, showing them that they should not expect a life of serenity and ease, but one of many and lasting hardships, but full of merit for eternity. The young men admitted were:

Arnold P. Driscoll, Somerville, Mass., who took the name of Brother Paulinus.

William G. Hayden, Louisville, Ky., Brother Valerian.

Michael P. Collins, Webster, Mass., Brother Louis.

Michael J. O'Reilly, East Boston, Mass., Brother Albertus.

John P. Donohue, Somerville, Mass., Brother Amelian.

Edward J. Mahoney, Somerville, Mass., Brother Flubar.

Henry P. Rhoades, Whiteville, Ky., Brother Romanus.

Herbert Aguriera, Porto Rico, Brother Calasanctus.

Raphael T. Wathen, Knottsville, Ky., Brother Jude.

John P. Downey, New York city, Brother Parhomius.

George L. Drury, Big Clifty, Ky., Brother Semion.

Charles E. Milner, West Clifty, Ky., Brother Lucian.

Edward J. Jaquay, Wheeling, W. Va., Brother Rogatus.

Paul A. Kelley, Carbondale, Pa., Brother Humbert.

Joseph A. Doherty, Newark, N. J., Brother Vitalis.

Alexander X. Jost, Lawrence, Mass., Brother Prosper.

Damien Pelletier, Worcester, Mass., Brother Theophilus.

Aram Peradie, Woonsocket, R. I., Brother Eustasius.

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PARDONS VOTED

TWO MEN RELEASED FROM STATE PRISON.

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—The executive council yesterday voted the pardon and release from state prison of Edward J. Smith, a negro, and Charles Devlin. Governor Bates signed the papers last evening and later Smith was liberated. Devlin will be released tomorrow.

Smith was sentenced in the Suffolk supreme court on Dec. 18, 1900, to serve a term of eight to ten years on a charge of robbery.

Devlin was convicted and sentenced in 1898 to eight or ten years in prison for assault and robbery in Boston.

SIX DAY RIDERS

Who Refused to Finish in Race

RECEIVE SUSPENSIONS AND FINES

Walthour and Moran Suspended For a Year

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—The eight bike riders who refused to finish in the six-day race in New York last week have been penalized by the National Cycling association. In some cases the riders have been suspended and in others a suspension of fine is to the be alternative. The decision in the case as announced yesterday is as follows:

"The board of control of the National Cycling association, after careful consideration of the cases of the insubordinate riders at the recent six-day bicycle race at Madison Square Garden has decided to immediately inflict penalties instead of waiting for the annual meeting of the National Cycling association in February. The action of the board is as follows:

"Walthour, Atlanta, Ga., and James F. Moran, Chelsea, Mass., suspended for one year.

"Otto Mayo, Erie, Pa., and James H. Howley, Chicago, suspended for six months.

"Hugh McLean, Chelsea, Mass., suspended for six months or pay a fine of $100.

"Nat Butler, Cambridge, Mass.; Jed Newkirk, Chicago, Ill.; Menus Bedell and John Bedell, Lynbrook, L. I.; Bennie Munroe, Memphis, Tenn., suspended for six months or pay a fine of $50 each.

(Signed) "R. F. KELSEY,
"Chairman Board of Control, N. C. A."

A $700 HITCH

WOMAN REFUSED TO GIVE UP AND LOST A HUSBAND.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Mrs. Rose Gerschnesser, a rather comely widow, who keeps a stationery supply store at 123 Stanton street, wants a husband. She all but had one last night but her refusal to hand over $700 before the ceremony caused a hitch in the plans, and perhaps saved her from a rash and ill-tempered mate.

Mrs. Gerschnesser has been in the habit of dining at Goldstein's restaurant, 120 Forsyth street, and when Goldstein told her the other night that she was too good looking and smart to be single, Mrs. Gerschnesser coyly admitted that it would not be impossible to induce her to choose a second husband. Goldstein said he would secure a nice man for her. The lonely widow had a pretty good conception of her affinity, and after she had thoroughly described him to Goldstein, the latter said he thought he had that affinity's counterpart handy.

Accordingly, Mrs. Gerschnesser was arrayed in her best when she went to Goldstein's restaurant on Monday night and seated herself at a table in the rear of the place. Soon a young man in a gay suit of clothes, his fingers sparkling with diamond rings and his shirt front lit up by the rays of an enormous diamond horseshoe, walked sprightly in.

Goldstein met him and escorted him to the table where Mrs. Gerschnesser sat. It was then that she became acquainted with William Hecht, 29 years old, alleged to be a prosperous real estate and diamond broker, of 62 Stanton street.

Hecht was a winner from the start. He made love to the widow until late in the night, and when she finally went home it was agreed that they should meet again last night and arrange the final details. When he met Mrs. Gerschnesser in the restaurant last night Hecht was anxious to get married right off, but first, the widow says, he wanted to know how much money his bride-to-be had for him by way of dowry. Mrs. Gerschnesser stated that she had $700 in bank and $200 out on a short time note.

Hecht, the widow says, wanted the $700 immediately. His fiancee, however, suggested that they get married, find out how each suited the other and then if after six months he qualified as a first class husband, she would hand over the entire $900.

This didn't appeal to Hecht. He wanted the $700 right then and there, or there would be nothing doing in the way of a wedding ceremony as far as he was concerned. The widow held to her original proposition. This is how she tells the story.

At this, Hecht became enraged, accused his betrothed of making a fool of him, and by way of emphasizing his hurt pride, she tearfully declared a little later, soaked his beloved on the jaw. Then he drew a revolver and threatened to rid the world of one ambitious widow.

The woman screamed, and a large crowd of easily excited East Siders swarmed into the restaurant. Policemen McCullom and Buckley of the Eldridge street station heard the row and made their way into the place. They found Hecht drawn up in a heroic attitude with a pearl handled revolver in his hand. He was taken to the station house and locked up on a charge of attempted felonious assault. Mrs. Gerschnesser went home, single.

Oriental Bazaar, opposite Kirk st.

EDITOR DAVIS

WELL KNOWN NEWSPAPER MAN DIED OF HEART FAILURE.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 15.—L. Clarke Davis, editor-in-chief of the Public Ledger of this city, died at his home here yesterday of heart disease after an illness of two months. He was 70 years of age.

Mr. Davis, who had been managing editor of the Philadelphia Inquirer, became identified with the Public Ledger about twelve years ago and had up to the time of his last illness, directed the policy of that newspaper. He continued in active service until compelled to give up his work by the encroachment of the ailment which resulted in his death. He is survived by a widow, Rebecca Harding Davis, a daughter and two sons, one of the latter being Richard Harding Davis, prominent as a war correspondent, novelist and magazine writer.

NON-COMS.

OF CO. C HELD MEETING LAST EVENING.

The non-coms of company C met last night to make further arrangements for the party to be held soon after New Year's day. Sergt. J. Douglas Rivet presided. Hibbard's orchestra was the choice of the meeting.

Here at Home

Lowell Citizens Gladly Testify

It is testimony like the following that has placed "the old Quaker Remedy" so far above competitors. When people right here at home raise their voice in praise there is no room left for doubt. Read the public statement of a Lowell citizen:

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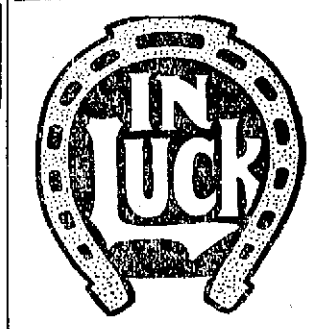

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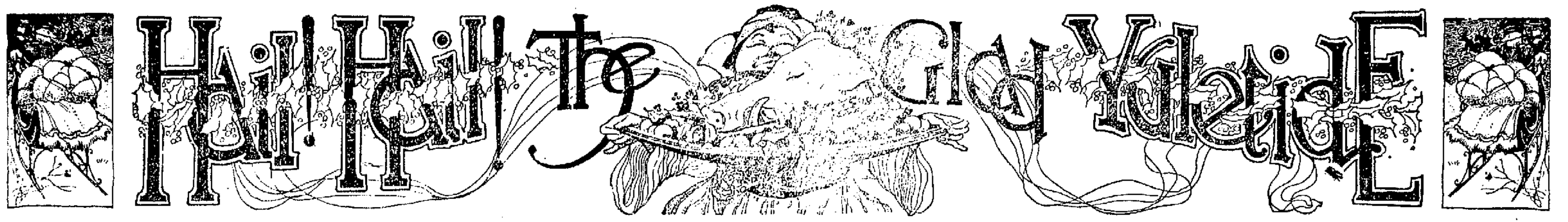
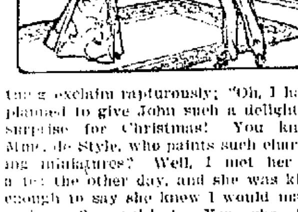


Christmas

From the Viewpoint of Kate Clyde—An Ancient Joke Which Will Never Die—The Yuletide Gift Should Possess Individuality—Fashion Gossip

THERE is one very ancient Christmas joke that is really no joke at all, and yet, I am sorry to say, it will never fade away and grow out of style. I refer to the joke in which the wife gives her dear husband something she wants herself for a Christmas present. Only the other day I heard a sweet young

Gave her husband a new rug



thing exclaim rapturously; "Oh, I have planned to give John such a delightful surprise for Christmas! You know Mme. de Style, who paints such charming miniatures? Well, I met her at a tea the other day, and she was kind enough to say she knew I would make such a fine subject. Yes, she did. Wasn't that lovely? And, do you know, I'm going to have her paint a miniature of me in that imported evening gown of mine. Won't it be perfectly fine to show to my children when they are old enough so that they will be able to appreciate what a very 'swell' mother they had? Don't you think that will be a lovely Christmas present? And won't John be surprised?" Well, rather, I thought to myself, especially when he has to foot the bill. Poor John, by the way, would rather have a four dollar a dozen photograph of his wife than anything else—just a plain picture of her in her everyday shirt waist, "looking natural," as he would put it.

Then there is Mrs. Hinkley. One Christmas she gave her husband a new rug for the library, and Mrs. Bridey presented her fond hubby with a Morris chair upholstered in deep red simply because she had seen a picture representing a red interior and a young wife seated on the arm of just such a chair, while her husband smoked his pipe and read the paper. "Domesticity," I believe it was called, or some sweet thing like that. And her poor husband never could abide Morris chairs!

Individuality In Gifts.

Yes, indeed, Christmas is a great time, and the selection of Christmas gifts shows up a woman's character as quickly as anything. The tactful woman knows how to give. She never merely "buys presents," they must express a certain individuality. Sometimes she writes a bit of verse on the dainty card which accompanies them, sometimes it is a quaint bit of humor, but anyway the little card which accompanies each present adds more than half again to the gift. She has the faculty, too, of choosing exactly what each woman friend really wants or dreams of. To Miss Prim, the lonely spinster, she sends a beautiful box of flowers done up with as much care as if they were sent by an adoring lover to the prettiest girl in town. Miss Prim appreciates that; no one ever sends her flowers. Miss Scribbler slaves all day in an inky blouse and strictly tailor made cuffs and collar. The tactful woman sends her a dainty bit of frivolous neckwear to brighten her up. A friend is scrimping to furnish a small apartment, so the thoughtful woman contributes a sofa cushion of soft silk to harmonize with the wall paper. A girl away at school receives a daintily framed picture—some of the prints are so pretty and so cheap—or else she gets a fluffy pincushion for her toilet table, all pink and white and suggestive of home daintiness.

Domesticity.

Pictures as Presents.

By the way, speaking of pictures, I wonder some of you don't choose to make that sort of a Christmas present. The day is past when in order to be artistic a picture had to cost a great deal of money. The chromo of ungodly memory has disappeared, and with it all crudeness. Prints on gray paper, charcoal sketches, pen and ink reproductions, all are tastefully executed and simply and appropriately framed at a very low cost. I am glad to see that the colored photograph, the successor of the chromo, has also gone the way of gaudy things. The inexpensive pictures now on sale do not offend against good taste, because they do not try to usurp the place of oil paintings and are simple and unassuming in treatment. Nothing can be prettier than the gray prints on gray paper, the monotony of the whole being relieved by a single splash of color. For instance, one scene represents a chalet on the mountain side in Switzerland. Out of the grayness of twilight among the pines flashes a broad band of orange light from the chalet window. The almost universal gray tone of the picture is further carried out by the narrow gray wood frame. Now, can anything be more artistic or in better taste than these gray prints?

Another represents moonrise on the waters. The gray swell of the ocean in this case has reflected in it the bluish green of the moonlight.

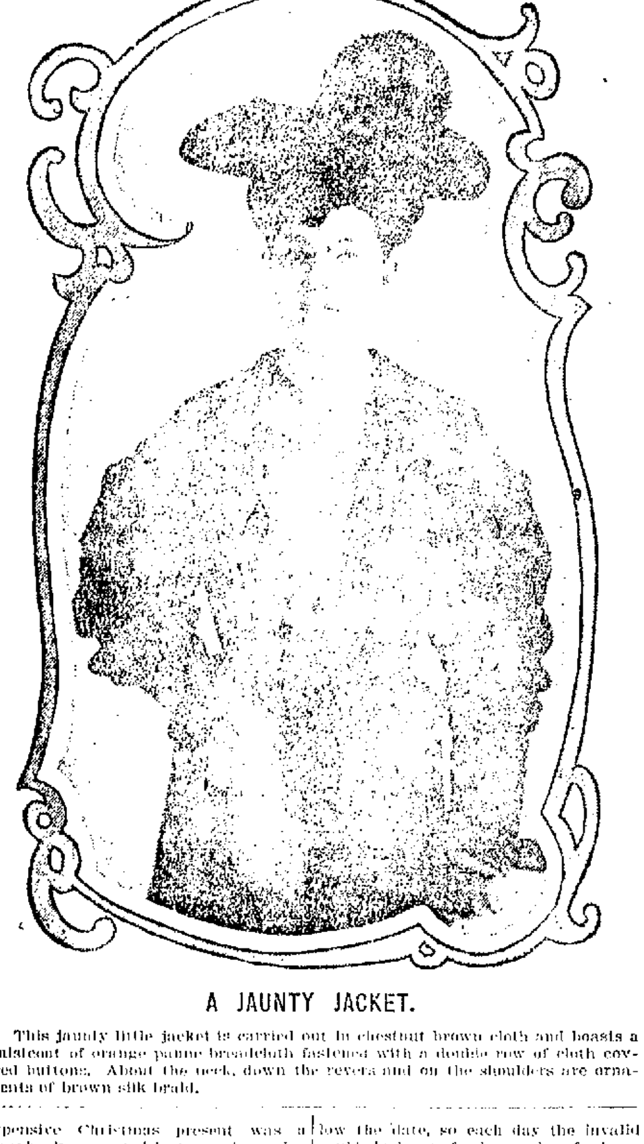
A very acceptable and by no means expensive gift is a picture of yourself in one of the little oval gilt frames which cost so little nowadays. Photographers are taking pictures in the regular oval size with a special view to framing.

If you want to buy a more expensive frame choose one with a mat of tapestry or brocade and have the metal work of dull gold.

In Many Moods.

A clever girl friend of mine is giving as a Christmas present a series of six views of her summer vacation. They show her fishing, bathing, riding on horseback, playing golf and at the piano in evening dress. It makes a very attractive set, and every one of them was taken by a friend who had a camera; therefore the expense was slight. Perhaps the way in which they are framed is the most attractive thing about them. They are placed one below the other in connecting frames of black wood.

A particularly tactful and even less expensive Christmas present was a scrapbook presented last year to an invalid. It contained a number of her favorite poems and stories clipped from old books and magazines. Another "shut in" was made glad by an optimist's daily calendar on separate sheets, each sheet having a cheerful motto lettered neatly in water color below the date, so each day the invalid could look at fresh words of cheer. After all, it is the spirit and not the gift that counts. For my part, I tell you right now that I would infinitely rather have an inexpensive gift which showed a study of my tastes and foibles than the most costly affair possible that signified merely the power of money and a hurried shopping excursion with a long list.



A JAUNTY JACKET.

This jaunty little jacket is carried out in chestnut brown cloth and boasts a waistcoat of orange panne broadcloth fastened with a double row of cloth covered buttons. About the neck, down the revers and on the shoulders are ornaments of brown silk braid.

Oh, by the Way—Fashions.

Well, to change the subject, I do really believe that the day of the all white evening coat will soon draw to its close. For one thing, it is being frightfully overdone. You can buy white (so called) "broadcloth" evening coats for as low as $30. Every one has them, which means that the well dressed contingent will strive to be different at all costs. A good deal of champagne tint is being worn, but this color is almost too near tan, a shade not at all suggestive of evening dress. I saw a few nights ago a charming theater wrap of pale blue cloth outlined with fine cream braid. There was another fur lined affair of that yellowish shade known as crushed peaches, and to relieve this there was a collar of dark mink. Gray cloth is being revived, but nothing, let me tell you, is as smart as gray chiffon velvet.

Miss Scribbler slaves all day.

An imported model of this was shown to me in a dressmaking establishment. It was made very full, being shirred from the collarless neck and allowed to fall in rich folds. The sleeves were draped very full to show the beautiful suppleness of the material. There was not a bit of trimming on this save an edging of narrow silk braid, and yet nothing could have been more stunning.

Speaking of chiffon velvet, a friend of mine has a new gown of it which leaves nothing to be desired. It is black, trimmed with an inner vest of soft lace and an outer one of peach colored dull cloth which at first gives the impression of tinted leather. The undercuffs of the sleeves are also of this stunning new shade of peach.

That Dear Little Waist.

The cost of waists has gone up this season, as I discovered when I asked the price of a demure little lace waist and the saleswoman unblushingly said, "Eighty-five dollars, madam." On the whole, these new waists are more trouble to make than last year's, for they have a fitted lining, well boned and finished off with a belt of velvet. A waist meant to wear over the skirt costs more by $10 or $15 than the most elaborate unlined or loosely lined blouse, but is it worth the difference? The boned waist makes one often look stiff, and a pretty little net blouse over a loose china silk foundation can be confined into a wide silk boned belt which will sufficiently accentuate the figure. A fine and yet strong net appliqued with a few figures of lace when made over a china silk slip is infinitely superior to any other waist in wearing power and all round good service. The silk waist is rapidly giving way to the soft, fluffy chiffon, all over lace or net.

Oh, I knew there was something I was forgetting to tell you. Don't buy any crushed velvet. It is now being marked down in New York shops as low as 79 cents a yard. It has not proved at all popular with our leaders of fashion, and it will probably be relegated to oblivion in a few months. And why not? It certainly looks like old fashioned furniture coverings.

And now, I think, after giving you this piece of advice, I shall leave you to think it over. But, mind, if you feel you can afford to have a good velvet gown buy chiffon velvet. It is almost the only velvet which is considered smart nowadays. KATE CLYDE.

New York.

WHEN BABY GOES OUT IN HIS GOCART.

It is a very difficult matter to keep the legs of a tiny child covered when it is out of doors, and it is more difficult even in a gocart than in the ordinary perambulator. Little legs kick off light rugs, and heavy ones are undesirable. The best plan is to make what is often called a "pram sack" to take the place of a rug. It can be made of a variety of materials and is a simple bag with a drawing string run into the hem at the top. The baby's legs are put into the bag, its clothes are comfortably smoothed down and then the ribbon string tied round his little waist. Then his legs are free to kick about, and yet all the time he is kept from cold.

The cozy "pram sack" may be made of any soft all wool cloth, very lightly wadded, or it may be knitted in wool and lined with pongee silk, or a very homely sack could be made from a small colored blanket. Any mother having the idea presented to her would know in what material to carry it out, and very likely some mothers would make the winter pelisses in this manner for the babies in arms, who would thus be prevented from suffering from the cold.

THE CHINESE WAY.

When a Chinaman wants to have a tooth drawn he feels no nervous apprehension of pain for the excellent reason that he knows his dentist will not inflict any. The latter simply rubs a powder over the aching tooth. After about five minutes the patient sneezes, and the tooth falls out. Many attempts have been made by Europeans to obtain the recipe for this mysterious powder, but no one has yet succeeded.

Christmas Work

Of Maud Ballington Booth For the Prisoners' League

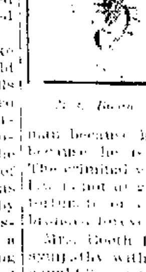
THREE times I have seen Mrs. Ballington Booth, and each time a picture clear and unfading remained in my memory. One morning I was going through Washington market, New York city. A man and woman wearing the uniform of the Salvation Army were walking past a meat stand in the market. Some big, burly, coarse faced fellows jeered at the pair, making brutal, audible comment and laughing the horse laugh of ignorance. Plainly, too, the animus of theological hatred was behind the behavior of the burly rowdies.

The Salvation Army pair were only walking past the stand, looking neither to the right nor left. The feeling that came uppermost in the outsider's mind was that the jeering men ought to have had their mouths slapped. But the woman only turned her face toward the men and smiled, the smile of an angel. Her face was beautiful, but that smile, radiant and sweet, glorified it. From portraits I had seen I recognized that she whom the men had insulted was Maud Ballington Booth.

The second time I saw her she spoke in Plymouth church, Brooklyn, the old meeting house within whose walls somehow the eloquence of Henry Ward Beecher still seems to linger unforgotten. But never even Beecherian eloquence impressed an audience in the old church more than the words of Maud Booth did. The house was crowded, the silence unbroken even by the church cough. Those people listened as though they feared to lose a word of that singularly sweet, thrilling voice. First the uncommon beauty of the woman speaker impressed the throng, then the music of her voice, then the devoted earnestness and enthusiasm with which she had given herself to the mission of helping those whom other people seemed to have forgotten. Tears came to some eyes there as she talked to us. And after the meeting closed none there was but went away with a deeper reverence for womanhood, a hope for the higher development of humanity.

Ballington Booth and his wife, English though they were, came to like us in America so well that both became naturalized citizens of the United States. Maud Booth as well as her husband went through the legal formalities that transferred her allegiance from Great Britain to this republic. After a time occurred the separation from the Salvation Army and the formation by Mr. and Mrs. Booth of the Volunteers of America.

A dozen years ago Maud Ballington Booth was in San Quentin, Cal., where the state prison is. While there she received a letter from a number of the convicts in the penitentiary asking her to come and address them. She went. She talked to them and moved them as hardly any other living speaker can do. She met them not as one patronizing them from superior heights of virtue, but as one who felt toward them as sister might feel toward brother. In so many words Maud Ballington Booth has said:



M. B. Booth

"I know that the worst men are not necessarily those who are in prison. The men who do the greatest injury to their fellow men and cause the most sorrow in the world are not those who are in prison. The stigma does not fall upon a man because he commits a crime, but because he is punished for a crime. The criminal who evades or escapes the law is not arrested, but he who is less fortunate or capable and is caught is branded forever."

Mrs. Booth felt infinite pity for and sympathy with "the men who had been caught," and there was no need to tell them of it. They felt it. Many of them had wives and children left helpless because of the convicts' incarceration. They wrote to Mrs. Booth as to their only friend, entreating her to see if something could not be done for their destitute families.

Thus it was that Maud Ballington Booth's distinctive mission came to her. From the time she addressed in San Quentin penitentiary the "men who had been caught" she has wrought bravely and well for them and for those deprived of their support. Everybody else turned from them with aversion. Among the different lines in which the Volunteers of America are interested there is a prison department, and Mrs. Booth is at its head.

The third time I have seen this woman whom prison convicts the Union over call "Little Mother" was recently when I called to ask her what the prison department of the Volunteers of America does in the line of Christmas work. Mrs. Booth is a beautiful woman, not tall, but very graceful, a brunette with warm brown hair and tender brown eyes. She has rather an oriental type of face and looks so very young that one can scarcely believe she has a son seventeen years old. She wore a soft black cashmere gown cut slightly surplice at the throat, with three azure stars, symbol of her office, pinned across the breast.

At each Christmas time Maud Booth undertakes to see that all the families of her prisoners have something to make the day glad. There is no public dinner, but each child receives a suit of clothes and a toy to make it happy. There are also for each little one two pairs of stockings, one pair to wear, the other filled with candies and nuts. The mother, too, gets a Christmas present of some article that will be useful to her. Then the dinner, that which does most of all to realize Mrs. Booth's idea of "taking Christmas into the home." Each prisoner's family gets a turkey or pair of chickens, with vegetables and other things, in all food enough to last several days. Fuel to cook the food for this joyous Christmas feast goes with the eatables, for the Christmastide finds many a prisoner's family without a shovel of coal in their poor rooms. In New York a wagon distributes the donations, and Maud Ballington Booth herself goes with the wagon to bestow the good things and give the women and children her blessing.

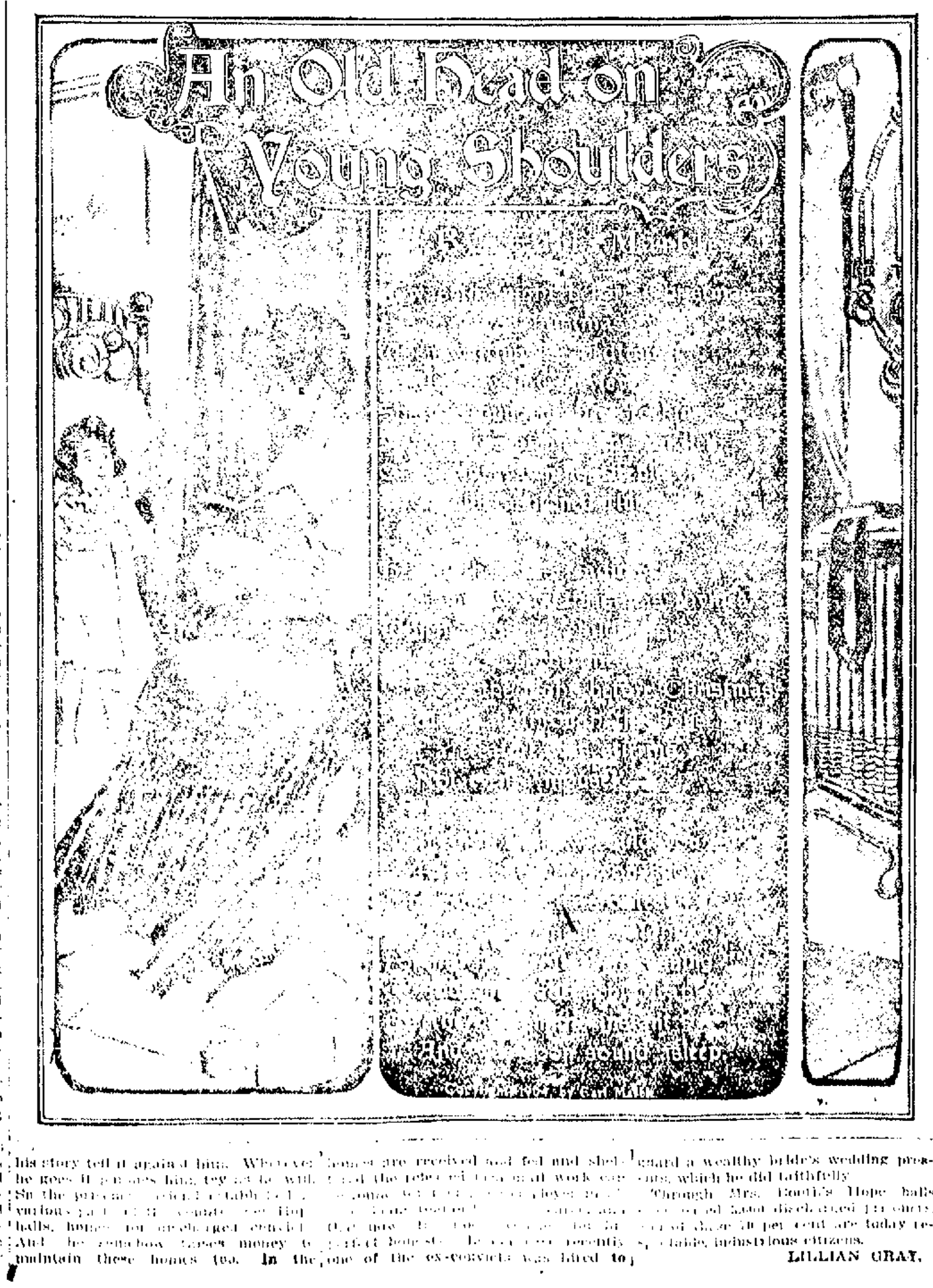
Where do you suppose the money comes from to pay for these gifts? Well, Mrs. Booth earns it nearly all herself by lecturing. From city to city, from town to town, she goes, her sweet, sympathetic voice touching the hearts of men and women with the story of her efforts to befriend those who most need friends.

Eight years ago Mrs. Booth organized the V. P. L. Volunteer Prisoners' league among those who are "doing time" in the various penitentiaries. Members receive a league button and agree to a few simple rules, [illegible] otherwise. In return Mrs. Booth [illegible] the names and addresses of their families and protects and cares for them. It is much to the prisoners to have such a friend. No wonder they regard her with something very like worship.

"The work of the prisoners' angel does not end here, however. When the man who does time has finished doing it and comes out, what then?" He finds it almost impossible, even when determined to "live square," to get honest employment. With a malice that has a touch of the fiendish in it, those who know his story tell it against him. Wherever he goes it [illegible] him, try as he will. So the prisoners' [illegible] established [illegible] various [illegible] Hope halls, homes for discharged convicts. And she somehow raises money to maintain these homes too. In the homes are received and fed and sheltered [illegible] work [illegible] perfect honesty. [illegible] recently one of the ex-convicts was hired to guard a wealthy bride's wedding presents, which he did faithfully.

"Through Mrs. Booth's Hope halls [illegible] discharged prisoners [illegible] per cent are today respectable, industrious citizens.

LILLIAN GRAY.



THE BRIDEGROOM'S SONG.

I'm sick of the song of the bride and her bloom;
Just hearken to me for awhile—I'm the groom.
I know I've no rights in the case, but, alas!—
That's right—all I get in the case is a lass.
I know I'm supposed to be silent and meek,
But, dash it! I'm bound to get reckless and speak.

They're buzzing about what the bride is to wear;
They're buzzing about how she'll do up her hair;
They're quarreling over the bridal bouquet—
I listen in silence to all that they say.
They treat me as though I was chained to my doom—
Alack! What am I? I am only the groom.

Sing on of the beautiful bride and her bloom,
But don't mention me—I am only the groom.
Just say, "He was dressed in conventional black,"
Then kindly forget me and hasten right back
To rave o'er the bride till you're black in the face—
I'm only the groom, and I'm learning my place.

THE FAIR AMERICAN.

"I believe the real attraction of the American girl for Englishmen lies in her complete contrast to the women of their own country," writes an Englishwoman who seems to be jealous. "She can talk, she can amuse and she can stimulate his jaded senses by picturesque slang and impudent raillery. She is free and easy, yet holds him in bounds should he—by accident—incline to confuse her with a less discreet personality. She can talk on anything and everything—and does. She knows all about sports and games. She can dance like a ballet girl and sing comic songs with any variety stage prima donna. She is all energy and life. She has nerves of steel, yet a frame as fairylike as Titania's. Above all these charms, she has—dollars. * * * But there are not wanting critics keen as herself to point out that her cleverness is very superficial, her apparently universal knowledge due to memory, not research, her beauty as short lived as her youth and her conversational charm due to its novelty in forms of expression, slang and quaint phraseology. A day may come when we will also find that we could have done without the self glorified importation of the American woman!"

OLD NEWSPAPERS.

The uses of old newspapers are manifold, so they should be carefully kept. Directly anything boils over on the stove the cook should wipe it up with a pad of newspaper, for thus she will save herself much trouble in keeping the stove clean and nice. Newspaper is also excellent for window cleaning, producing a good polish.

CITY CAN'T PAY

Adverse Opinion on Labor Day Order

City Solicitor William A. Hogan has given an opinion to the city council relative to the order now pending before the city government, appropriating $469.75 for the payment of the outstanding bills contracted by the committee in Labor Day celebration.

The text of the opinion is as follows:

Office of City Solicitor,
Lowell, Mass., Dec. 14, 1904.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

I am in receipt of a joint order entitled "Joint Order Appropriating Four Hundred Sixty-nine Dollars and Seventy-five cents to Defray Expenses of Labor Day Observances," which order has been referredo to me for my opinion as to its legality. It appears that certain bills to the amount of $469.75 were contracted by a committee of the local Trades and Labor Council for the observance of Labor Day in anticipation of receiving a part or the whole of an appropriation for Labor Day made by the city council. Injunction proceedings brought to restrain the city and the city treasurer from paying out the amount of said appropriation so delayed matters that said appropriation was never available for the purposes intended.

The object of the present order is to provide a fund for the payment of said bills. The question is, whether the appropriation of $469.75 from the general treasury fund is authorized by the revised laws or by the charter of the city of Lowell?

The purposes for which cities and towns may raise money by taxation and appropriate the same are enumerated in the revised laws, chapters 25, 26 and 27. After careful and painstaking examination of the statutes, I am satisfied that the purpose of the appropriation does not come within any of the objects enumerated in the statutes for which cities have power to grant and vote money "unless it can be included within "all other necessary charges arising in said city." Ch. 25, Sec. 73, R. L.

As stated in Waters v. Bonvoulair, 172 Mass. 253, "necessary charges are confined to matters in which a town or city has a duty to perform, an interest to protect or a right to defend."

The supreme court has decided that under this section an appropriation could not be made to celebrate the surrender of Cornwallis. Trask v. Adams, 10 Cush. 252, nor (before the statute) to celebrate July 4th. Hood v. Lynn, 1 Allen, 193, or to pay the members of a private fire company; Greenough v. Wakefield, 127, Mass, 1275 or to pay the expenses of a committee composed of the mayor and certain members of the board of aldermen to attend a convention of American Municipalities in another sate. Waters v. Bonvoulair, ubi supra.

The object of the appropriation does not come within the provisions of the city charter. In fact, the charter expressly provides that no expenditure shall be made and no liability shall be incurred by or on behalf of the city until the city council has duly voted an appropriation sufficient to meet such expenditure or liability. St. 1896, Ch. 415, Sec. 8.

In my opinion the purpose of this appropriation it not one authorized by general law or by the city charter and is illegal.

Respectfully submitted,
WILLIAM A. HOGAN,
City Solicitor.

MINOR ORDERS

CONFERRED ON SEMINARIANS AT BRIGHTON.

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—Yesterday morning at St. John's seminary, Brighton, the following ordinations were made by the Right Rev. John Brady, D. D., titular bishop of Alabauda and auxiliary bishop of Boston, assisted by the Very Rev. Daniel E. Maher, S. S., D. D., president of St. John's Theological seminary; the Very Rev. Francis Havey, S. S., superior of Seminary of Philosophy, and the Rev. John P. Peterson, notary and master of ceremonies.

Promoted to clerical tonsure: William H. Flynn, James F. Fitzsimmons, James F. Cronin, Charles Cunningham, and Patrick J. Sullivan, all of the Boston diocese.

Ordained to minor orders: Walter J. Mitchell, John C. Fearns, John C. Buckley, James E. McCarthy, Timothy J. O'Connor, William E. Tierney of Boston, John B. de Valles of Fall River diocese.

Ordained sub-deacons: Joseph H. Casey and Timothy J. Hurley of Boston.

Ordained deacon: Dennis H. Donavan, Boston.

THE NEW LAW IN FORCE.

The new law restricting the hours of labor for women and children in mercantile establishments to fifty-eight hours in one week and not more than ten in any one day, makes it necessary in many instances, for merchants to rearrange the working hours of their employes. Shoppers are, therefore, requested to cooperate with the merchants in the enforcement of the law by making their purchases at the earliest possible hour.

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216 Central Street

DIED IN COURT

Francis P. Curran Was a Leading Attorney

WAS COUNSEL IN FOSTER MURDER CASE

President of Middlesex County Democratic Club

DEDHAM, Dec. 15.—Francis P. Curran, widely known as lawyer and politician, died suddenly in the Norfolk county court-house about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

He had just finished his argument in a case before the superior court when he was seized with an attack of indigestion, which brought on an apoplectic stroke. Death ensued within a few minutes. The body was taken to Mr. Curran's home in Cambridge.

"Frank" Curran was one of the best known among the younger democratic leaders in Massachusetts. He was a man whose individuality constantly cropped up in politics, but by no means a chronic bolter.

He was born in Woburn, Aug. 31, 1862, the son of Patrick and Ellen (McCaffrey) Curran, who came from Ireland in the early 50s. He was graduated from the Woburn grammar and high schools, finishing at the latter with the class of 1880. He matriculated at Harvard, but after spending a short time

FRANCIS P. CURRAN.

there entered the Boston university law school. He stood high in his class, and was graduated with the degree L. L. B. in June, 1885.

In the meantime Mr. Curran did considerable newspaper work. He was special correspondent for the Globe while at the law school, and for two years he edited and published the Grattan Echo, a popular Woburn weekly paper. He also sold books for about 15 months, was a clerk in two of the largest dry goods stores in Boston, and did other work.

He was admitted to the Middlesex bar at once upon graduation and opened an office in Woburn. He was married while still in the law school—April 20, 1881—to Miss Ida M. Colby, one of the earliest newspaper women in Massachusetts. She was for two years editor and publisher of the Woburn City Press. They have two children living, Eileen F. and Frank.

Mr. Curran was as a young lawyer, a good speaker, energetic, ingenious and well read. His practice increased in the courts, and he achieved distinction as an advocate. In 1891 he removed his office to Boston and later became a resident of Cambridge.

In the course of his general practice he had been connected with several important criminal cases. One of these was the Duroy Foster murder case in Lowell, where he was counsel for Sullivan and Nagle. Another was the famous Maria Halloran "love potion" case at Cambridge. He defended in two trials Nora Halloran.

In public life Mr. Curran was as energetic as in his business. He was a member of the last board of selectmen Woburn had; he was for one year chairman of the board of assessors, and when the city was incorporated in 1859, he was its first city solicitor. He was also a member of the water board for three years and all these positions he filled with ability, credit and to the satisfaction of the public.

He was a member of the Knights of Columbus, was the first grand knight of the Woburn council, and for some time was a member of the state council.

In politics Mr. Curran was a democrat. When Hearst was mentioned as a candidate for the democratic presidential nomination, Mr. Curran became president of the Massachusetts Hearst association. When, however, Hearst tried to turn over his own strength to Judge Parker, Mr. Curran promptly announced that he should vote for Roosevelt.

When the Middlesex democratic club was formed, Mr. Curran was made its first president. He was immensely popular with a circle of acquaintances, wider, probably, than almost any other one man in the city of Boston.

5000 DESTITUTE

PORTO RICANS DO NOT WANT TO GO HOME.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 14—The Bulletin says that 5000 Porto Ricans whose contracts for working in the sugar plantations of Hawaii have expired, are in this city in a destitute condition. It is declared that nearly 5000 more will soon arrive from the islands. They did not find the conditions of labor in Hawaii agreeable, but none is anxious to return to Porto Rico.

FRANKLIN DEBATING SOCIETY.

A meeting of the Benjamin Franklin Debating club was held last evening, the principal business being a debate on the following question: "Resolved: That the Lace law should be repealed."

The affirmative was upheld by Messrs. George M. Foley and John J. Coyne, the negative side being sustained by Messrs. Charles Deehan and George Kitchen.

The judges, who were Messrs. Hagen G. Pillsbury, Ernest Parsons and James F. Riley, decided that the negative side put forth the strongest arguments.

The club has challenged the Young Men's Debating society of Waltham to a public debate, and is waiting with interest for a favorable reply.

THERE IS ONE STOCKING WHICH WILL BE WELL FILLED WITH SPLENDID CHRISTMAS TOKENS.

TO SAVE MOTHER

Boy Shot and Killed His Father

PORT JERVIS, N. Y., Dec. 15.—To save his mother, brothers and sisters from the attacks of his father, John Harder, 17 years old, of Cherry Ridge, near White Mills, Penn., sent two charges of buckshot into his parent's body, killing him instantly, last evening.

Charles Harder was the father of 12 children. Last evening he came home quarrelsome and started to put into execution threats he had previously made to kill all hands. He was armed with a carving knife and an ordinary pocket knife, which it is said he had recently sharpened for the occasion.

The terror stricken wife and children ran in all directions to escape him. Some hid about the house and the mother and other children sought refuge in the barn. The infuriated man started for the latter place, and so fearful was John that his father would kill them that he appeared at the door with a double-barreled shotgun and sent one charge into his father's back.

The man turned around and faced his son, receiving a second charge in his right side. He fell to the ground dead.

Later the boy gave himself up, but was permitted to return home. Public sympathy is with the family.

MRS. FAIRBANKS

GUEST OF HONOR AT CONTINENTAL BAZAAR.

BOSTON, Dec. 15—Mrs. Cornelia Cole Fairbanks, wife of Vice President-elect Charles W. Fairbanks, and president general of the Daughters of the American Revolution, was the guest of honor last night at the Continental bazaar that is being held in Copley hall under the auspices of the Massachusetts chapter. Mrs. Fairbanks spoke interestingly of the continental memorial hall which the D. A. R. societies are erecting in Washington.

Among those present were Mrs. James A. Mellen of Pennsylvania, vice president general of the national society, and Mrs. Donald McLean, state regent of New York.

COMPLAINT MADE

DELAY IN RE-ARMING BRITISH ARTILLERY.

LONDON, Dec. 15—The Times today prints a special article in which complaint is made that there has been unpardonable delay in re-arming the artillery. The article declares that with the exception of 18 batteries of quick fire guns hurriedly bought in Germany during the Boer war, the British army has no guns that would seriously count. In a modern war, Great Britain's artillery would be hopelessly outclassed alike in range, accuracy and rapidity of fire, and would be knocked to pieces before it could inflict any serious damage upon the enemy. Owing to the reluctance of the treasury to find money and to other red tape delays, nine months have been wasted since War Secretary Broderick's committee last March decided on models for new guns, and it certainly will be two years before the army is properly provided.

RECEIVED BY POPE.

ROME, Dec. 15—The Brooklyn pilgrimage left Rome for Naples yesterday, and will be rejoined there by the Right Rev. Charles E. McDonnell, Bishop of Brooklyn, N. Y., and the Right Rev. Charles H. Colton, Bishop of Buffalo, N. Y.

Rev. Francis Koch, rector of the Church of St. Francis of Assisi, in Thirty-first street, near Sixth avenue, New York, was received in audience yesterday by the pope, who sent his special blessing to St. Francis's Church for the early morning mass celebrated for the printers and others who work through the night.

Genuine Chinaware, Oriental Bazaar.

HUGE SNOW PLOW

PASSED THROUGH LOWELL THIS MORNING.

One of the largest nose snow plows designed to operate on electric roads in New England, and as large as any similar plow in the United States, passed through Merrimack square this morning at 12.30 o'clock. It was on its way from Worcester to Newburyport.

The plow, which has recently been purchased by the Citizens' Street Railway company of Newburyport from the Boston & Worcester street railway, was built by Woss & Co., of Springfield last year. It is 41 feet long and has nose plows on both ends 10 feet long and 5 feet 6 inches in height. The inside of the plow is fitted up with every modern appliance. The noses are operated by air pressure. Four powerful motors may be used at one time, and a large-sized coal stove furnishes heat.

The plow left Worcester yesterday morning at 8 o'clock in charge of Conductor H. W. McKay, ex-superintendent of the Haverhill division of the Boston & Northern street railway, and Motorman T. H. Mudget of the Boston & Worcester company. They were accompanied by Motorman Albert Dyke of the Citizens' street railway and Motorman N. L. Carson of the Haverhill division of the Boston & Northern street railway, as pilots.

When the crew in charge of the plow left Lowell shortly after midnight, they expected to arrive at their destination by 4 o'clock this morning.

DROP OF 20 DEGREES.

LAKEVILLE, Conn., Dec. 15.—With a fall of 20 degrees in 12 hours the mercury at 6 o'clock this morning stood at 18 degrees below zero in this village. In Salisbury a reading of 20 degrees below was reported. It was the coldest morning of the winter thus far in the Litchfield hill.

FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR
stops the cough and heals lungs

DROPPED $68,000

Men Fleeced in a Gambling House

NEW YORK, Dec. 15—According to a story given out here late last night, Police Inspector McClusky, chief of the New York detective bureau has received a report that two men, one from Cleveland and the other from Chicago, both wealthy, lost $68,000 a few nights ago in a New York gambling house. Of this amount $44,000 which had been given in checks, was recovered but $24,000 the cash losses, were not refunded.

The story says the men were introduced into the house by a person representing himself as an old school friend of the Cleveland man. The day after the play the two men became convinced that they had been victimized and the detective at their hotel and a central office man were notified and recovered $44,000 in checks. The names of the men have been withheld.

Holiday gifts, Oriental Bazaar.

BOSTON DOCTOR APPOINTED.

BOSTON, Dec. 15—It was stated last night that Dr. Thomas A. Doblois, of Boston, had been tendered the position of aide-de camp on the staff of Governor-elect Douglas.

Goods at low prices, Oriental Bazaar.

HE DECLINES

LIEUT. COLONEL PRIEST WANTED HIGHER RANK.

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—Lieutenant Colonel George H. Priest of Fitchburg, who was appointed as an assistant inspector general with the rank of lieutenant colonel on Governor-elect Douglas' staff, has declined the honor.

It is understood that Lieutenant Colonel Priest, when the matter was first broached to him, authorized some of his friends to inform Governor-elect Douglas that he would accept a place on the staff provided that the appointment would give him a higher rank in the service than he now holds. In their enthusiasm his friends failed to inform the governor-elect and his advisers of this proviso, and the appointment was made and announced.

MISSIONARY TEA.

The Women's Missionary society of the Highland Congregational church enjoyed an exceedingly pleasant meeting at the home of the new president, Mrs. J. B. Field on Westford street yesterday afternoon.

The thrilling story of the rise of the Japanese empire was given by Mrs. Thompson and the Misses Thompson, Forsythe and Jones, with pictures of Japanese architecture and customs. A chapter of "Lux Christus" was presented in an interesting manner by Miss L. A. Wallingford. Mrs. Robert Neil sang a lullaby song very effectively. Mrs. Clayton Welles gave a vivid report of the Providence meeting of the Woman's board which she attended as a delegate. The program was concluded with a social hour at which the hostess was assisted by three little girls.

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Best Sirloin Roast Beef 12c a lb.
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Best Roast Pork.....9c a lb.
Best Smoked Bacon....12c a lb.
Best Hams .....11c a lb.
Best Smoked Shoulders..8c a lb.
Fresh Shoulders.....9c a lb.
Best Round Steak..2 lbs. for 25c
Best Rump and Sirloin Steak. 15c a lb.
Best Corned Beef...5c to 7c lb.
Best Legs Veal.....10c a lb.

Best Short cut Legs Lamb, 10c a lb.
Best Cape Cod Cranberries, 5c a qt.
Best Bread Flour, 85c bag; $6.75 bbl.
Best Butterine...10c to 15c a lb.
Best Creamery Butter, 5 lb. boxes 1.50
Best Green Mountain Potatoes, 18c pk.; 70c bush.
6 lbs. of Large Prunes.....25c
20 lb. pail Compound Lard, $1.40
Fresh Eggs.....25c doz.

CANNED GOODS A SPECIALTY

Best Maine Corn 3 for 25c
Best Red Salmon 2 for 25c
Best Peaches 2 for 25c
Best Peas 3 for 25c
Best Pears 3 for 25c
Challenge Milk 3 for 25c
Good Mince Meat 7c pkg., 4 pkgs. for 25c
Pink Salmon 3 cans 25c
3 cans Clams 25c

LEGAL STAMPS.

Special on Corned Beef—3 for 1 any kind of Stamps on 6c and 7c Corned Beef.

THESE ARE GOOD DAYS TO BUY THAT APRON; A PAIR OF TOWELS; A PERCALE DRESS; A DOZEN SPOONS; A SHAWL OR MUFF; A SUIT OF UNDERWEAR. YOU CAN CHECK OFF MOST OF YOUR LIST BY COMING TODAY.

THERE NEVER WAS SUCH CHRISTMAS WEATHER AND NEVER DID WE HAVE SUCH A CHRISTMAS STORE TO OFFER YOU. THE EARLY SHOPPERS HAVE FOUND US MORE CONVENIENT AND COMFORTABLE THAN EVER. MORE PROFITABLE, TOO.

Buy Your Christmas Gloves in the Next Three Days

1400 $1.25 Gloves at 98 Cents a Pair

Our dollar and a quarter Gloves were purchased as being the very best value we could buy to sell at that price. No better Gloves are shown at that price.

To obviate the usual crowding of the last few days we have made this unusual offer. All Our $1.25 Gloves at 98c a Pair. And we'll give you a pretty Glove Box for the asking. This offer is good only today, tomorrow and Saturday.

WEST SECTION, NORTH AISLE

Remember Our Holiday Departments, The Book Store, The Doll Land and the Toy Shop

A. G. Pollard & Co.
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TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON

SOUTHERN DIV.

From Merrimack St.

5.43, 6.22, 6.45, 7.40, 8.00, 5.22, 11.00 a. m.; 1.40, 4.35, 5.44 p. m.

Sundays, 8 45 a. m.

From Middlesex St.

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
5.48	6.50	6.00	7.04
6 28	7.49	6.30	7.26
6 59	7.30	7.54	8.54
5.49	7.53	8.25	9.01
7.01	8.02	9.00	9.37
7.24	8.10	10.00	10.37
7.31	8.50	10.17	11.34
7.49	8.35	11.30	12.07
7.52	10.05	12.00	12.58
8.57	9.40	1.00	1.37
9.35	10.19	2.00	3.01
11.06	12.00	3.00	3.37
11 43	12.24	3.47	5.00
12.14	1.00	4.14	5.30
1.44	2.50	5.00	5.37
1.58	2.39	5.28	6.25
3.47	4.30	5.47	6.54
4.28	5.30	6.14	7.80
5.92	6.15	7.35	8.08
6.45	7.56	8.50	9.08
6.12	6.55	10.39	11.34
7.29	8.10	11.20	12.21

WESTERN DIV.

From Middlesex St.

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
6.50	7.55	7.30	8.31
8.00	8.54	9.25	10.31
9.25	10.33	10.45	11.40
10.50	12.00	11.50	1.05
12.05	1.26	2.15	3.20
12.50	2.00	3.56	4.50
2.30	3.33	4.59	5.40
3.19	4.05	6.01	7.02
3.55	5.00	6.55	7.45
5.05	6.40	9.40	10.35
6.15	7.10	*11.15	12.18
7.00	8.00		
8.30	10.28		

* Runs to Lowell Wednesdays and Saturdays only.

SUNDAY TRAINS

WESTERN DIVISION

6.15	9.25	8.00	9.1
12.10	1.20	12.00	1.00
3.55	4.50	5.05	6.25
5.52	6.53		
8.05	9.00		

SOUTHERN DIVISION

6.89	7.50	9.00	10.00
7.24	8.10		
8.48	9.49	11.30	12.07
9.20	10.15	1.00	1.57
2.25	3.27	5.09	6.09
5.29	6.30	7.30	8.08
6.22	7.05	8.30	9.08
		9.00	10.02

LOCAL NEWS

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Tobin's—Printing—Associate Bldg. Tel.

T. A. D. Sullivan, wholesale grocer.

Hire your hacks at O'Donnell's stables. Tel. 439-4.

When you have any real estate to sell, consult J. F. Donohoe, Donovan Bldg. Telephone.

New Xmas goods. Oriental Bazaar.

COMMITTED SUICIDE.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Dec. 15—George Lattinger, sr., 67 years old, committed suicide in the cellar of his home yesterday by placing a charge of powder in his mouth and igniting it. The top of his head was blown off by the explosion. Lattinger had been suffering from a cancer under his tongue and said he could not bear the pain any longer.

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UNITARIAN CHURCH

SUPPER HELD BY THE UNITARIAN SOCIETY IN THE VESTRY.

A delicious supper was served at the First Unitarian church vestry last night under the auspices of the First Unitarian society. Preceding the supper a Christmas sale was held, the various tables doing a good business.

At eight o'clock, an amusing skit entitled "The Old Maids' Convention" was held, the cast being as follows:

President, Miss Fannie Munsur.
Treasurer, Miss Nesmith.
Secretary, Miss Helen Coburn.
Professor, Hapgood Fay.
Misses Julia Stevens, Ruth Coburn, Louie Ellingwood, Mrs. Geo. Chandler, Mrs. Winslow Clark, Mrs. John Crawford, Misses Ethel Gray, Ethel Baker, Helen Bowers, Anna Fels, Leslie Adams, Mae Wilder, Ada Chalifoux, Annie Baker, Mrs. Chris. Holmes, Mrs. Otis Allen, Miss Grace Hylan.

Mrs. J. N. Greig sang, and other specialties were introduced by Misses Margaret Elliott and Pauline Cummings, Harriet Spaulding and Hazel Chamberlain.

Mrs. A. C. Moore was general manager.

At the sale, Mrs. W. E. Bartlett, general manager, was assisted by the following ladies in charge of the various tables:

Cake, Mrs. George Bowers, Mrs. H. D. Bradt, Miss F. N. Robinson.

Domestic, Mrs. E. H. Scribner, Mrs. J. P. Manning, Mrs. Dana Bartlett.

Candy, Misses Ruth Carter, Fanny Sawyer, Sophia Bicknell.

Fancy articles, Mrs. George B. Chandler, and the members of the Emergency Ten, of Lend-a-Hand club.

COMEDY PROGRAM AT CASTO.

All roads lead to the Casto this week for the present program is one that appeals to all. It is headed by Frederick Bond and company in the screamingly funny comedy "My Awful Dad" which is one of the brightest and wittiest comedies that it has been the fortune of Manager Haynes to present to the local public. The remainder of the programme is composed of star comedy acts. Reserved seats can be ordered by telephone 815-3.

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MISS EMMA HOLT

Read Interesting Paper on Geography of Lowell

AT MEETING OF HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Paper That All the Young People Should Read

The regular quarterly meeting of the Lowell Historical society was held last evening in Memorial hall. In the absence of the president, S. W. Stevens, Judge Hadley presided and Charles H. Conant was elected secretary pro tem in the absence of the secretary, Horace S. Bacon. The records of the last meeting were read and approved and the treasurer said there are $373 in the treasury at the present time.

Reporting for the executive committee J. A. Bailey stated that a closet for the books of the society had been built on the top floor of the Memorial building. The society's membership was increased by one. The name of A. H. Slater was sent in and approved by the executive committee.

A few weeks ago Miss Emma G. Holt of West Chelmsford made a heroic attempt to rescue one of her pupils from drowning in the icy waters of Nabnasset pond, and last night Miss Holt read a very interesting paper on "The Geography of Lowell as the Basis of its Historical Life." The paper:

No branch of knowledge is independent. This connection is especially close in geography and history, so close that geography and history often have a causal relation. This principle, which is generally accepted is well expressed by a German writer who says, in substance, that geography is the basis of history, while history is nothing but geography in motion. We cannot study one and despise the other. Science, commerce, politics, law, medicine and the arts are the outcome of the mutual relation between geography and history.

To the scientist, the Merrimack river has a deep and interesting story to tell. Its course is southerly, like all other rivers of the Atlantic slope, until it reaches Tyngsborough, where an abrupt turn is made to the northwest. This unexpected course has placed the mouth of the river at Newburyport instead of at its natural outlet to the ocean, which would be, doubtless, at Lynn.

Because of this fact scientists have investigated the conditions and the real result of this study is the revelation of the river's geographic history.

The cause of this strange condition goes back to the time of the glacial period, when all New England and much of the northern part of our country was covered with a deep layer of ice.

If we think of the appearance of the river valley just after the ice had receded, we picture it as long lowlands and intervales partially filled with soil and rock which had been deposited by the ice sheet as it advanced and retreated over the land.

Yet the river channel was traceable as far down as Tyngsboro. Here a large mass of debris stretched across its course, forming a complete blockade. As the ice melted the stream was renewed and its swiftly flowing waters from the mountain slopes rushed down the old channel. Thus on its journey the river was stopped at Tyngsboro by these great barriers of soil cutting off all access to the sea along the original waterway. But the force of the water was great enough to cut a new channel. Gradually a new river valley extending in a northerly direction was made. A ledge of rock lay in the river bed; over this the water plunged, thus forming Pawtucket falls.

There are many evidences of the glacial period today in our vicinity. Large boulders, some of which weigh a ton, are scattered along the Mammoth road and Stevens street. The rock behind the Highland church on Westford street, bears glacial scratches and it is interesting to note that a recent effort has been made to incorporate this gashed rock within a proposed park.

Another boulder, near the entrance to Fort Hill park, is marked with glacial scratches. Kettle holes near Stedman street and great deposits of soil or drumlins, of which Fort Hill is a striking example, are also proofs of the great changes in physical conditions due to the glacier.

The river subsequently carried with it much sediment and as its load became too great, a deposit was left along either bank. This deposit formed a large flood plain built of fine grained boulder clay which was brought from the hillsides of the north. Thus we may say that the Merrimack Valley is a gift from the river itself and to the river it owes all its history.

But the Indians were not destined to be the only reapers of this fertile valley. The fame of its cornfields and of its swarming waters attracted the Puritan colonists, who had already pushed on to Concord from Boston and who were in need of pasturage and food. Thus it was the Indians retreated northward before the new possessors of the land.

Thus, the first condition of progress was secured for these early settlers by the abundance of food which the locality furnished.

The essayist then sketched the beginning of the city of Lowell.

From the very birth of the city the influence of geographical environment has been apparent. Again we may repeat the valley and its city is a gift from the river itself.

A. P. Savage, Esq., read a paper he had prepared concerning the physical features of Lowell and the adjacent territory.

Mr. J. Frank Bancroft of Tyngsboro read a paper upon "The Boundary line of Old Dunstable."

Charles Cowley, Esq., said a few words in which he stated that the Merrimack river made Lowell, and was responsible for all the manufacturing cities above and below Lowell.

The latter moved that a vote of thanks be extended to the speakers of the evening for their excellent and instructive papers, and the motion was passed.

HELD UP A BANK.

HIBBING, Minn., Dec. 15—A lone highwayman held up the bank of Chisholm yesterday and secured $200. He forced Cashier Greleer into the vault at the muzzle of a revolver and locked the door. The robber escaped.

Oriental Bazaar, 200 Merrimack st.

OLIE VAUGHN

WILL BE GIVEN HEARING ON PETITION FOR PARDON.

Next Wednesday morning the pardon committee will give a hearing, at the state house, on the petition for the pardon of Olie Vaughn on the ground of innocence. Olie Vaughn and his brother Robert are serving life sentences for assault on Officer Healey of the Lowell police department with intent to kill.

This is the time to buy coal. See Fred H. Rourke, 984 Gorham street.

MATRIMONIAL

Miss Hattie Perron, of this city, and Mr. Frederic Leck of Boston, were united in marriage last night at 6.30 o'clock at the residence of the bride's parents, 5 Hamel place, off Ludlam street. The marriage ceremony was performed by Rev. Smith T. Ford, pastor of the First Baptist church.

The bride wore white silk mull with lace trimmings and carried bride roses. She was given away by her father. There were two bridesmaids, Miss Louise Perron, a sister of the bride, and Miss Barbara Gillespie, of Pawtucket, R. I. Both wore dainty gowns of white Swiss muslin trimmed with Valenciennes lace, and carried carnations. The best man was Mr. W. B. Oliver of Boston, secretary of the Boston Y. M. C. A. As the bridal party entered the drawing room the Lohengrin wedding march was played on the piano by Mr. Samuel Perron, a brother of the bride.

After the ceremony a reception to a large number of friends took place from 7 till 9, Mr. and Mrs. Leck were assisted in receiving by Mrs. Francis Perron, Mrs. Arthur Lane of Boston, Miss Margaret Ware of Boston, and Miss Pearl Northrop. In the dining room a dainty collation was served.

After the reception Mr. and Mrs. Leck left on a wedding trip to New York, on their return from which they will reside at 42 Union Park, Boston.

RULE—GREGG.

A pretty home wedding took place last evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Gregg, 224 First street, when their daughter, Catherine, was united in marriage to Mr. Alexander Rule by Rev. Orville Coats. The ceremony was performed under an arch of evergreen and the bridal party entered the room to the strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march, played by Mrs. Bessie Leggett. The bride, gowned in white silk with overlace and chiffon trimming and carrying bride's roses, entered leaning on her father's arm. They were preceded by the bridesmaid, Miss Ina Gregg, wearing white muslin over pink and carrying pink roses, and the best man, Mr. W. Farrell.

Special sale of Brass Five-o'clock Tea Kettles, $1.49. These are the regular $2.00 Kettles. The Thompson Hardware Co.

BILLERICA

A son of Mr. George Dale was badly scalded Monday by the overturning of a pot of hot water. A physician was called and the little fellow is now resting comfortably.

Postmaster T. F. Lyons is confined to his home on account of illness. A social party will be held Friday night in Smith's hall by the class of 1905 of the Howe high school.

The Weymesit club met with Miss Cora King Tuesday night. The subject for discussion was "Whittier." Miss Cora King read a sketch of the poet's life, and Rev. J. H. Dale read a selection from "Maud Muller." All the members present answered to the roll-call with quotations from Whittier.

This is the time to buy coal. See Fred H. Rourke, 984 Gorham street.

HIGHLAND "RING A PEG" CLUB.

The young members of the H. R. A. P. club assembled for their first meeting at the residence of Mrs. M. L. Pardoe, 11 Marlborough street, on the evening of Dec. 13. Master Wallace Pardoe carried off the first prize by but a small majority over Miss Dorothy Harris, to whom was awarded the second.

The charter members consist of Miss Glaydis Pardoe, Miss Minna Strauss, Miss Dorothy Harris, Master Wallace Pardoe, Master Harold Noyes and Master Moses Strauss.

After an hour of genuine pleasure the young people departed for their homes, joyous in mind and happy in heart.

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THIS BEAUTIFUL
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To the person bringing in the largest number of our coupons (cut from newspapers) between now and December 24.

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A Showing of Christmas Novelties That Will Delight All Lovers of Fine Neckwear, at

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It is gathered specially for Christmas—including many exclusive pieces too expensive for regular buying.

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It's worth your consideration — neat single boxes with each neckwear purchase.

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English Trelawney Collars in a variety of neat effects............. 25c
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Jabot Stock with neat finish of pastel velvet $1.50
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Collar and Cuff Sets of embroidery and lace effects.................25c
Handsomest line of Collar and Cuff Sets shown in the city at...... 50c
Hand-embroidered Collar and Cuff Sets, Keiser brand...$1.00 and $1.50
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Neat Christmas Boxes containing one, two and three pairs of Women's Hosiery at ....50c, 75c and $1.00
Will box them in half dozen pairs at customer's request.

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SUSPENDERS—This line is very desirable, one pair in a box, fancy silk webbings and newest buckles, all with white Kid ends, 25c, 50c, 75c, $1, $1.50, $2, $2.50

HANDKERCHIEFS—All grades with or without initial 5c to 50c each

MUFFLERS—White and black silk; also cashmere and the new style that can be used as a full dress protector. Prices 25c to $3

Special Lot of Way's Mufflers to snap around the neck. 50c and 75c qualities at 25c each

SWEATERS—Men's and Boys' Sweaters roll collar or button front, all colors. Prices 45c to $5 each

BATH ROBES—This useful garment makes a most desirable gift. Domet, Eiderdown and all wool, elegant patterns. Prices $3.50, $5, $7

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IN THE HAT DEPARTMENT

You will find loads of nice things to gladden and give comfort to boys and little folks.

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REAL FUR BAND DRIVING CAPS $2.50
STRAIGHT CUT NEAR SEAL CAPS $2.50
GENUINE SEAL SKIN CAPS (pieced) for men and women $4

The Talbot Clothing Co.
"The Great Daylight Store"
CENTRAL AND WARREN STS.

THE WEATHER
Forecast for Lowell and vicinity: fair followed by snow late tonight, warmer tonight, Friday, cloudy probably with snow, light northeast winds increasing in force.

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THE MORMON OATH

Witness Says He Regarded It as Sacred

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—August L. Lundstrom was re-called for cross examination when the Senator Smoot investigation was resumed today before the senate committee on privileges and elections. Attorney Van Cott for Senator Smoot, asked the witness if he had ever considered the obligations taken in the temple as a huge joke.

"I always regarded the oaths as sacred," he said.

Then he declared that men cannot pass through the temples to take endowments for women.

Mr. Lundstrom again gave to the committee the oath of vengeance, etc.

The oath was as given by Mr. Wallis. The witness told of the penalties of mutilation, prescribed for revealing the tokens or violating the covenant. The whole congregation passing through the temple repeated in the first person the obligation and penalties and executed the signs accompanying them.

Lectures were delivered by the witness at the Swedish-Lutheran church, in which he gave his reasons for leaving the church.

"Were you ever taken to task for your statements?" asked Senator Dubois.

"Well, the officials of the church called me a 'liar'," said Mr. Lundstrom.

He was asked if he had ever married in polygamy.

"Only in a way," he replied.

"Have you had a plural wife?"

"Yes sir."

Then he explained that a dead woman had been sealed to him for eternity but that he had never lived with but one wife. John Nicholson, the chief recorder of the Mormon Temple at Salt Lake was sworn. He proved the most reluctant witness yet brought before the committee. The attorney for the Protestants drew from him the fact that he keeps the records of marriages, baptisms and endowments, which are solemnized within the temple. He explained that the endowments are the placing upon individuals, blessings that will be upon them in this life and in all eternity.

He admitted that he has access to all the records, but he would not admit having authority over them, nor that he know who is in authority. He knew where to find the records and could give such information upon demand, adding that unless the person making the request was entitled to the information it would not be given to him. He was responsible for the safe keeping of the records and so far as he knew no part of them had ever been taken from the temple.

ROURKE ELECTED

Democrats May Get Another Alderman

As the result of many alleged errors in the figures of the precinct officers on the vote of the aldermanic ticket, the democratic city committee today took up petitions for recounts of the aldermanic vote in the nine wards.

Mayor Howe has called a special meeting of the board of aldermen to canvass the returns this evening and if the mistakes alleged to have been made become apparent during the canvass, the recount will not be necessary, but otherwise it will be held and those who have analyzed the figures make the prediction that Fred H. Rourke will sit in the board of aldermen next year, having been duly and legally elected.

It is stated that Mr. Rourke in the count as announced is 60 votes short in ward three alone. Then it is stated that his count is short in wards four and six.

In precinct two of ward six it is claimed that there is a mistake of nearly 200 votes in Mr. Stowell's count. It is not known who has been credited with the votes that belong to Mr. Stowell but it shows a big mistake and this and the others have caused the democratic city committee to ask for a recount of the aldermanic vote in all the wards.

At city hall this morning it was the opinion of all that the figures were wrong. Some believed that a recount will show not only Mr. Rourke elected but possibly Mr. McVey. Rourke is 29 votes behind Livingston as the count was given out Tuesday night.

ROURKE A WINNER.

Fred H. Rourke is elected a member of the board of aldermen and the fact, it is expected will be formally declared at a special meeting of the board of aldermen tonight. A precinct officer's mistake in figuring was responsible for the impression that Mr. Rourke had not been elected.

Andrew Livingston, who is 10th man instead of the 9th has taken out petitions for a recount this afternoon.

Ladies' Leggins

We have the most complete line of these comfort giving wear for ladies.

These are Jersey cloth, thick fleece lining, 16 buttons high, one strap at the top,

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The Little Buster Brown Leather Leggins,

$1.25

O'Sullivan Bros. Company

OPPOSITE CITY HALL.

FIGHTING SHIPS

Bids Opened for Two New Ones

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Bids were opened at the navy department today for the construction of the battleship New Hampshire and the armored cruisers North Carolina and Montana. The lowest bidder on two ships was the Newport News Ship-building and Dry Dock company, which offered to complete the two cruisers in 36 months at $3,575,000 each or one cruiser and the battleship in 36 months at $3,650,000.

On the battleship alone the company's bid was $3,650,000, to be completed in 36 months and one armored cruiser, $3,725,000, to be completed in the same length of time. The other bids were as follows:

Maryland Steel company of Baltimore, Md., the battleship in 42 months at $4,285,000; one armored cruiser in 42 months, $4,325,000; two cruisers in 42 months at $4,290,000 each.

The Fore River Ship Building company, Quincy, Mass., battleship in 42 months, $3,961,000; one armored cruiser, time omitted, $4,231,000; one armored cruiser, according to the company's modified specifications in 42 months, $4,331,000; both armored cruisers, 42 months, at $4,244,000 each.

FUNERALS

CARTER—The funeral of Esther Carter took place from the funeral parlors of Undertaker Higgins, this afternoon and burial was in the Edson cemetery.

MAN KILLED BY GAS

Two Men Overcome in Tyler Street Room

James Corrigan Died at Hospital James Moran, the Other, May Recover

James Corrigan, aged 20 years, is dead at St. John's hospital and John Moran, about 32 years of age, is in a serious condition as the result of gas poisoning at the former's room at 52 Tyler street. Both young men were discovered this morning and immediately removed to the hospital where Corrigan died shortly after his arrival, though it is expected that Moran will recover.

Corrigan worked for Fred Burns who conducts a lunch cart at the corner of Paige and Bridge streets, and went home this morning about 4.30 o'clock. Moran, who resides in Chippewa street, went to Corrigan's room with the intention of staying there today. After getting in they played cards for a while and in all probability retired about five o'clock this morning.

This morning while several carpenters were passing through the hall they discovered a strong odor of gas and informed the boarding mistress, Mrs. Cullen. She went up to the floor where Corrigan's room was located and found the odor of gas very strong. She told one of the men to break open the door and when he did so he found Corrigan on the floor in his night clothes while Moran was lying on the bed.

The ambulance was summoned and both men were removed to St. John's hospital, and upon their arrival at the hospital Dr. James B. O'Connor started to examine them. At first sight it was seen that Corrigan was in a hopeless condition and the attention of the doctor was directed to him, but he had inhaled too much of the deadly gas and expired shortly after his arrival.

The case of Moran was not so serious and the doctor is of the opinion that he will recover, though he is still in bad shape.

A representative of The Sun called at 52 Tyler street shortly after the accident and saw the room which was occupied by the two young men. It is a very small one with one window and one gas light.

Mrs. Cullen who runs the house stated to the reporter that her attention was called to the odor this morning, and after getting into the room, she found the gas turned on full force and the window closed. Also that the shade and side curtains had been torn from their fastenings.

Without doubt Corrigan, who was found on the floor, felt himself being overcome by the gas and made an attempt to open the window and had succeeded only in tearing down both curtains, but did not have the strength to open the window when he was overcome and dropped to the floor where he was found.

Mrs. Cullen stated to the reporter that the gas which supplied the house went through out of the automatic meters which a quarter of a dollar was dropped into at a time.

In all probability the young men went to bed and left the gas turned on and during the night the gas supplied for one quarter ran out and the gas was shut off. Probably this morning when some of the occupants of the house arose they found the gas out and some person dropped a coin in the meter causing the gas to come on, and as the cock in Corrigan's room was open the gas came on full force. At any rate the cock in Corrigan's room was found open and this is the most probable theory advanced, though Mrs. Cullen stated to a reporter that she did not know of any person going to the meter and putting any money in it.

Corrigan was 20 years of age and for the past few years has been employed by Mr. Burns. He leaves a father and grandmother residing in Sumner street and a brother who is in the regular army and stationed at Fort Slocum, N. Y. He also has an uncle who is a foreman at Horne's coal yard.

GOT THREE YEARS

Patriarchal Swindler Sentenced Today

In the superior criminal court at East Cambridge today, George M. Bingham, the old man who gave worthless checks to Milo D. Brown and Sidney Drewett for trip books, was sentenced to three years in the house of correction. He was stigmatized by the court as a common and notorious thief.

MILLS WILL CLOSE

ON THE DAY AFTER CHRISTMAS DAY.

The mills of this city will shut down on Monday, December 26 the day after Christmas. This announcement was made this afternoon to a reporter of The Sun by Agent Southworth of the Massachusetts mills.

STILL FALLING

RIVER LOWER AND MILLS USING MORE STEAM POWER.

The water supply in the river is still rapidly falling and the mills are daily requiring more steam power to assist in maintaining the necessary speed on the machinery employed in cotton manufacture.

NO CHANGE YET

IN THE STRIKE SITUATION IN FALL RIVER.

FALL RIVER, Dec. 15—Save in a few mills the conditions in weaving departments today were reported as very little different from yesterday. In some mills substantial gains were made. What seemed of more consequence to the mill men in several cases was the fact that after receiving their wages for the week many operatives expressed themselves as satisfied with the returns in their envelopes. There has been less shifting of help reported in the mills this week than a week ago.

The mill men are aware that in some mills there are persons employed who are reporting regularly to union headquarters just what is being done, but they say they are rather pleased that this is so, because they argue that when the worst is told it can all be summed up in the statement that it is the disposition of the mill men to correct the grievances now growing out of the 12½ per cent. reduction.

Some manufacturers are securing help at the expense of their fellows and the best of feeling does not prevail among some of them. It has been found that operatives who worked in some mills before the strike will not go back, but will accept work in other concerns where they say operatives are better treated.

This feature of the strike is hastening the correction of many evils which have long been complained of in mills where it has not been possible hitherto to obtain redress.

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100 ($10 worth) Green Trading Stamps with 1 lb. 60c Tea.
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The Very Best Green Mountain Potatoes	17c Peck; 65c Bush.
The Very Best Bread Flour	85c Bag
Fancy Smoked Shoulders	8c lb.
The Very Best Rib Roast Pork	9c lb.
Fancy Brisket Pork	10c lb.
Best Mixed Bacon	12c lb.
The Very Best Pure Creamery Butter	25c
Very Good Eggs	22c Doz.
Very Best Eggs (guaranteed)	29c Doz.

Best N. Y. Pea Beans.....7c qt.
Best Green Peas.....7c qt.
1 lb. pkg. Raisins 9c; 3 pkgs. 25c
3 pkgs. Best Currants.....25c
3 lb. can Baked Beans.....7c
15c bot. Golden Syrup.....10c
17 Sweet Oranges.....25c
Best Messina Lemons...15c doz.
Kennedy's Soda Crackers, 5c lb.
Kennedy's Ginger Snaps...5c lb.
Kennedy's Common Crackers, 5c lb.
Kennedy's Lemon Crackers, 5c lb.
Kennedy's Tea Biscuit.....8c lb.
Kennedy's Graham Crackers, 10c lb.
Kennedy's Smyrna Fig Bars, 10c lb.
Kennedy's Vanilla Creams, 10c lb.

All goods guaranteed. Prompt delivery to all parts of Lowell.

"TECH" STUDENT

Says Sergt. Fitzgerald Clubbed Him

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—At the police board hearing on charges against Boston police for alleged clubbing of students of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology today, Joseph H. Daniels, a senior at the Institute, identified Sergeant John Fitzgerald as an officer who had clubbed him on the steps of one of the institute buildings on the night of Nov. 2.

The witness said that he knew of another student who could identify another officer who used unnecessary brutality because he had seized the number on the officer's helmet.

NEARING THE END

Prosecution in Patterson Case About Finished

NEW YORK, Dec. 15—It seemed quite possible at the opening of the Patterson trial today that the case of the prosecution against the former show girl would be completed before the close of this week. Following the brief appearance of Mrs. Young, the widow of the dead bookmaker on the stand yesterday it was said that she would be called today by Assistant District Attorney Rand to tell all she knows of the affairs between her husband and Miss Patterson.

It was believed that the examination of Mrs. Young would open the way for another legal battle between Abraham Levy and Mr. Rand and there was an element of doubt as to whether or not Justice Davis would allow the widow to tell all the prosecutor would have her in order to bring out in stronger relief his theory of murder.

With the conclusion of the evidence of Mrs. Young the people's case will be very nearly complete. The other witnesses who will be called should not occupy more than one day's session, so there is every indication that Mr. Rand will be able to close his case on Friday.

What attitude the defense will then adopt is a matter of conjecture. The counsel for Miss Patterson declare that they will not decide whether or not to put any witnesses on the stand before all of the prosecution's testimony has been heard. In view of the courts exclusion of testimony relating to the alleged flight from justice of J. Morgan Smith, Mr. Levy has expressed the opinion that he will not need to put in any defense.

Whether or not Mr. Rand still had some startling disclosures to make, of course was not known to Miss Patterson's attorneys when the trial was resumed today.

TWO NEW STATES

Four Territories Will be Included

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The senate committee on territories today completed its work on the statehood bill and authorized a favorable report on the measure, admitting Arizona and New Mexico as one state and Oklahoma and Indian Territory also as one state.

THE SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—When the senate was called to order today, Mr. Platt (Conn.) chairman of the select committee, to consider the recommendation of the house of representatives for the impeachment of Judge Swayne, presented the report of that committee. The report was in the shape of an order which, after reciting the circumstances in a preamble, proceeded as follows: "Ordered, that the senate will according to its standing rules and orders in such cases, provided taking proper action thereon, upon the presentation of the articles of impeachment, of which due notice shall be given to the house of representatives."

The resolution was agreed to.

The urgent deficiency bill was passed without debate. The Philippine administration bill was taken up and Mr. Stewart spoke in support of the railroad bond provision saying that no other agent was equal to railroads as civilizers of savages.

IN THE HOUSE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—As soon as the house met today Mr. Olmstead (Pa.) from the committee on elections No. 2 introduced a resolution in the contested election cases of Geo. D. Reynolds against James J. Butler, from the Twelfth district of Missouri, asking that the committee be discharged from further consideration of the case. Mr. Olmstead said that the contestant had not complied with the law with respect to the time in which his testimony should be taken nor in several other ways.

The resolution was adopted.

WATCHES AND MONEY

TAKEN FROM DESK IN ST. LOUIS RECTORY.

Burglars broke into St. Louis's rectory in Boylston street Tuesday, and carried away $6 in money and two silver watches from a desk in the private office of Rev. Fr. Jacques, the pastor.

SPANISH-AMERICAN TREATY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Mr. Ojeda, the Spanish minister, today informed Secretary Hay that he had received authorization to sign the Spanish-American arbitration treaty.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

EXTRA

FOUR MEN KILLED

Explosion on The U. S. Battleship Massachusetts

PHILADELPHIA, DEC. 15.—FOUR MEN WERE INSTANTLY KILLED AND TWO WERE PROBABLY FATALLY INJURED TODAY BY AN EXPLOSION ON THE BATTLESHIP MASSACHUSETTS WHICH IS LYING AT THE LEAGUE ISLAND NAVY YARD. THE MEN WERE WORKING IN THE ENGINE ROOM MAKING REPAIRS TO THE BIG VESSEL WHEN A MANHOLE BLEW OUT. ALL OF THE MEN WERE TERRIBLY BURNED AND MANGLED.

NOT TO BLAME

Railroad Not Responsible For Callahan's Death

Hon. John J. Pickman today submitted his report of the inquest into the death of John Callahan who was found dead on the tracks of the Boston & Maine railroad near the Bleachery station, October 15. In concluding his report Mr. Pickman says: "Upon all the evidence and the inferences therefrom, including the testimony as to the running of the trains, the nature of the wounds and the position of the injured man when found, I adopt the latter view.

"My finding is that on the evening of the fifteenth day of October, last past, said John Callahan received injuries that resulted in his death by reason of his stepping off or falling from the steps of a railroad car while the same was in motion and that the corporation that owned and operated said train upon which he was travelling did not cause or contribute to the injuries by negligence upon its part."

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TO LET—Furnished room at cor. Bridge and Third sts.

MORRIS CHAIR FREE.
Hellefontaine & Co., the furniture dealers at 197 and 199 Middlesex street, are offering a beautiful Morris chair free to the person presenting the largest number of coupons cut from their advertisement in The Sun. See their advertisement in this issue.

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Nearly all cases in the early stages. Many even when far advanced. Fresh air stands first. Good food next. Then a medicine to quiet the cough and control the inflammation—Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. Ask your doctor about this.
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Misses' Ermine Sets.....$4.98
Children's Squirrel Sets $2.98 and $3.75
Misses' Squirrel Sets.....$10.98
Children's Brook Mink Sets.....$3.49
Misses' Brook Mink Sets.....$6.50
Children's Grey Coney Sets.....$1.49
Misses' Grey Coney Sets.....$4.98
Children's Chinchilla Hare Sets..$1.75
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Children's White Thibet Sets.....$2.98
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INQUIRE AT THE SUN OFFICE.

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TRAGIC HISTORY

Revealed During Trial of Case

BOSTON AND NORTHERN SUED FOR- $40,000

Strange Tale of Family of Indian Descent

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—A civil case involving the largest ad damnum ever considered in the Middlesex county court, sitting in East Cambridge, the trial of which lasted from last Thursday morning until late yesterday afternoon, brought out testimony involving the strange and tragic history of a family of Indian descent, once possessor of large landed estates. Eminent legal counsel and prominent medical experts were engaged on the case, and it excited a great deal of interest while it was on trial.

After being out from 10.30 a. m. until 3.30 yesterday afternoon the jury returned a verdict for the defendant.

The case was one in which Evelin Hook and her husband of Stoneham sued the Boston & Northern Street Railway company for $40,000 for alleged damages resulting from a nervous shock sustained in one of the defendant company's cars, which was derailed in Winchester on Aug. 2, 1902. The woman sued for $30,000 and the husband asked for $10,000 for the loss of services of his wife.

The defence was prepared by William A. Rice, claim agent for the Massachusetts Street Railway companies, and H. P. Saltonstall was counsel for the defence, while Sherman Whipple conducted the case for the plaintiff.

Mrs. Hook was brought into court upon a stretcher, and when she gave her testimony she was bolstered up on a great pile of pillows.

The defence admitted that the car was derailed, but set up the claim that the plaintiff received no bodily injury, and denied her right to damages, on the ground that the legislature a year ago passed a law providing that no person could obtain damages from a railroad company for fright alone, sustained as a result of a similar event.

It was set up by the plaintiff that Mrs. Hook sustained a nervous shock which resulted in hysteria and mental derangement, followed by confinement to her bed for 26 weeks.

The defence claimed the woman was suffering from insanity, and submitted evidence to show that her two sisters died in insane hospitals, and also that in 1878 her father, Pelitiah Waitt, murdered his wife, the mother of the plaintiff, in their home in Melrose by beating her brains out with a crowbar, and then blew his brains out with a pistol. It was shown that at that time the plaintiff's family owned immense tracts of woodland, which are now owned by this commonwealth as the Middlesex Fells park reservation in Melrose, Malden, Medford and Stoneham.

It was attempted to show that the plaintiff and her family were descendants of the famous Old Town, Me., Indians; that there had been much marrying and intermarrying of brothers and sisters and cousins in the family and that imbecility and insanity prevailed among its members and, as a result of this mental trouble, almost all family lands were lost by mismanagement and bad trades.

Two women, one 59 and another 86 years old, testified for the defence that they were passengers aboard the derailed car and that they experienced no fright or nervous shock.

Fred C. Church had the insurance on the estate of John Ayer building on Tilden street, damaged by fire.

FIRE ON HOWE STREET.

A still alarm at five o'clock last evening summoned a portion of the fire department to a fire in a house in Howe street owned by Anthony Conway. One of the occupants of the house was at work trying to thaw out the water pipes which were frozen when he set fire to the woodwork. The department soon extinguished the blaze. The damage was slight.

Fred C. Church had the insurance on the building.

ENGINEERS' STRIKE AVERTED.

SAN BERNARDINO, Cal., Dec. 15.—The engineers and firemen of the Santa Fe have adjusted their differences which threatened to cause a strike on the coast lines of the Santa Fe system.

The terms of the settlement have not been made public.

SEAMEN'S CONVENTION ENDED.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15.—The seamen's convention which has been in session here for several days has ended. It was decided to hold the next convention at Cleveland, Ohio, in December, 1905.

The following were elected to office: President, Wm. Penje, Chicago; vice-president, Daniel Sullivan, Brooklyn; secretary treasurer, C. D. A. Furuseth.

RADICALS ELECTED.

BERNE, Switzerland, Dec. 15.—The Bundesrath today elected M. Ruchet, vice president of the federal council, to be president and M. Forrer, minister of commerce industry and agriculture, to be vice president of the confederation for 1905. Both men are radicals.

HOOD'S
Tooth Powder
Cleanses and beautifies the teeth, giving them a pearly whiteness, hardens and brightens the gums, sweetens the breath. Price, 25 cents. Mammoth size, 50 cents.
Prepared by C. I. HOOD CO., Lowell, Mass.

THE DAVIS CASE

Will be Reopened by Authorities

BEVERLY, Mass., Dec. 15.—The authorities of Essex county and of the city of Beverly have decided to reopen the investigation which was held at the time of the finding of the body of Miss Bessie G. Davis, daughter of Otis N. Davis of Beverly Farms, on West beach in the latter part of September. An inquest will be held tomorrow at the office of Judge Daniel A. Safford of the district court at Salem.

Miss Davis disappeared one evening and the next day her body was found on the beach. After a brief investigation by the authorities it was decided that the young woman committed suicide. When she left home, she told her parents that she was going to a service at the Second Baptist church, of which she was an active worker.

Although her health had not been of the best she had not appeared to be despondent and no satisfactory cause for self destruction could be learned by the authorities. The medical examiner in holding an autopsy upon the body, found a bottle of carbolic acid inside her waist and this evidence tended to confirm the suicide theory. At the time there were many rumors that the young woman had been murdered, but after the autopsy they died out for a time.

Recently many reports had been in circulation at Beverly Farms, including insinuations that the girl had been foully dealt with, although so far as has been learned no stranger positive evidence has been found. Bruises on the face, it was thought, were caused by the action of the tide.

ARE FLYING WELL

PLENTY OF WILD GEESE ON CAPE COD.

SANDWICH, Mass., Dec. 15. A big flight of wild geese is expected within a few days by the gunners now occupying their camps on the shores of the big ponds between here and Mashpee. Already the geese have been flying across Cape Cod in large numbers. Gunners have killed a larger number than at this time last season, and the general opinion is that there will be more geese killed this season than ever before.

Mashpee pond is the favorite goose shooting resort for visiting gunners, and the most improved camps and blinds are found there. The gunners who frequent the pond use live decoys in addition to wooden ones, and some of the live birds are so perfectly trained that they obey almost every wish of their masters.

Besides the live decoys which the gunners throw into the air to toll the wild birds back to the beach in front of the blinds, they employ others which are kept pegged on the beach at the water's edge honking to attract flocks going over.

At one of the camps yesterday a flock of 60 birds came into the pond long before the gunners were out of their bunks. As they had a good rest before the weapons could be loaded the geese started for the south without waiting to see what had become of ten of their number, which were knocked over by the first fire.

At one of the camps on the shore of Mashpee pond 74 geese have been killed within a week. Nearly every bird that came within shooting distance dropped before the unerring aim of the men in the blind. At this camp last year 99 geese were killed. The present season is young and the gunners believe that they will double this number.

Mashpee pond and Wakeby lake have been famous as goose shooting resorts for years. The older inhabitants of the Indian settlement relate stories of hundreds of wild geese which were shot there 50 or more years ago, and they believe that as long as any of the birds exist they will follow their annual custom of crossing Cape Cod in a line from Cape Cod bay to Vineyard sound and will make their resting and feeding places at the ponds between these two points.

OFFICERS ELECTED

ANNUAL DINNER OF NEW ENGLAND GRAIN DEALERS.

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—At the annual dinner of the New England Grain Dealers' association last night at the Exchange club, Henry M. Whitney, president, and Elwyn G. Preston, secretary, respectively, of the chamber of commerce, were the guests.

Mr. Whitney spoke of reciprocity questions and said that the great opportunity of Boston for building up an enormous commercial city and giving to the association international importance in the handling of its grain, was lost because the people and merchants of Boston did not cry out against the policy that turned Canada away from the United States at the opportune time.

D. W. Bardet presided and reviewed the year's work. Frank Cressy of Concord, N. H., and Mr. Preston also spoke. These officers were elected:

President, H. C. Veaton, Portsmouth, N. H.; vice-president, W. F. Burditt, Rutland, Vt.; directors, Ellen Hunt, Lewiston, Me.; Frank Cressy, Concord, N. H.; B. W. Brown, Concord; Henry Purbeck, North Attleboro; George L. Hurd, Providence, R. I.; O. E. Lapham, New Haven, Conn.

LAST DIVIDEND

FOR CREDITORS OF DEFUNCT BANKING FIRM.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Closing eight years of litigation the final scenes in the receivership proceedings for E. S. Dreyer and company, which brought the failure of the banking firm and the subsequent prosecution of Edward S. Dreyer and Robert Dreyer has been entered by Judge Kavanaugh.

The receiver's report shows there is a surplus of $30,230 from the assets of the bank which is to be distributed among the creditors and depositors, 21 percent being given to each. This exhausts the final revenue and property, and probably will be the last dividend.

Dreyer still is serving his term in the state penitentiary at Joliet. Dreyer, his partner, was pardoned a few years ago.

BROWN TAIL MOTHS

SERIOUSNESS OF THE PEST SET FORTH.

Mr. Editor:—A serious and burning question now before the people of Massachusetts is: "What is to be done to rid the state of tree pests"? While the hairs of the brown tail fill the air in summer, people can take no comfort in hanging out of doors, their clothing as it dries on the line becomes in truth a hair shirt, and a distressing eruption follows which causes illness and sometimes death. No one in the infested districts between here and Boston can speak lightly of the brown tail moth, nor calmly endure the indifference of people who do not feel impressed by the seriousness of the situation.

Various schemes are being tried for the extermination of the pests. There are several associations in Arlington doing effective work and at a recent town meeting a large appropriation was made and a committee was formed of the presidents of these associations, the tree warden, the board of public works and the park commission. Women's clubs have expended money and time and have worked through the aid of the school children. Roxbury is raising $300 by subscription to clear the town of nests. So strong is the sentiment of danger that in November officials from many cities and towns met and appointed a committee which on the third of December called a meeting and formed the Massachusetts Association for the Suppression of the Gypsy and Brown Tail Moths. The organization purposes to be so comprehensive in its scope that it may enlist the sympathy and active cooperation of people from all over the state and intends to arouse popular interest, and then go before the legislature to ask assistance. The membership is limited only by the required 25 years of age.

The moths are becoming a dangerous foe and legislation is being recognized as the only effectual method of defense.

At the same time those acquainted with the brown-tail are not going to sit still waiting for the legislature. The brown-tails will be ready in April to begin their summer campaign and they must be surprised and slaughtered while still in their winter quarters before their hosts come forth to devastate, to lay waste, and to spread disease in the land.

In Lowell the park commission are interested and will be ready to do their duty when the means is given them; school boys and citizens have taken off a good many nests in a small way; but no systematic work is as yet accomplished. So far the Women's club has endeavored to instruct the public through the press, a symposium on the moth was held at the club rooms and this was supplemented by an out-door meeting, both of which were most instructive. The city has been divided into sections, each section in the care of certain members of the committee on civics. A long pruning hook is in each section and is to be lent for cutting off the nests of the moths. The ladies having charge of the pruning hooks are Mrs. L. S. Fox of Belvidere, Mrs. W. H. Lathrop of Centralville, Mrs. Charles Weston of Pawtucketville, Miss Mary Shattuck of Pawtucket street, Mrs. George Bowers of the Highland, Miss M. Abbie Morrison of Elm street, Mrs. A. F. Spalding of Middlesex street. The committee are endeavoring to arouse the people to work in the different sections, are encouraging the larger boys to attempt the business of clearing the garden trees for small payment, and will promote the same work in the towns about Lowell. The city ought easily to be able to clear the trees outside the private gardens, and all the tall trees. Taking the nests off this year means comfort in summer as far as pleasant shade and green leafage and freedom from a troublesome disease are concerned, and it may mean freedom from the pest for years unless it flies this way again. Unsystematic work means shrivelled leaves, loss of shade, physical suffering and loss of health. Which is the wiser?

A. F. S.

STACKPOLE NAMED

MAYOR APPOINTS HIM TEMPORARY ASSISTANT CHIEF.

Mayor Howe has appointed Charles Stackpole temporary assistant engineer of the fire department until such time as he is confirmed or his successor appointed. This action is similar to that taken by the mayor in the case of Mr. Farnham, though the conditions surrounding the case are somewhat different. Mayor Howe in making the appointment stated that he deemed it necessary owing to the fact that there is a vacancy and that one of the engineers is sick.

HAD NO COUNSEL

ALLEGED BEGGAR ATTACKED FRES. HADLEY.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 15—Charles S. Porter, the alleged beggar whose arrest was brought about by President Arthur T. Hadley of Yale yesterday after a hand to hand struggle during which the stranger tried vainly to escape, appeared in the city court today. He had no counsel. After the request of Captain Cowles of the detective bureau the case was continued until next Wednesday to allow an investigation of the man's record.

PLAN FOR LOAN

SANCTIONED BY SENATE IN SECRET SESSION.

LIMA, Peru, Dec. 15—The senate at a secret session yesterday sanctioned broadly the government's project for a loan, which it is said will be negotiated in the U. S. for the purchase of war vessels and armament. The majority of the nationalists opposed the proposition on the ground of it being waste of money as Peru is not expecting war. The senate today is continuing the discussion of the causes of the project.

ROBBED OF $1800

TWO MASKED MEN HELD UP A BANKER.

PHILLIPSBURG, N. J., Dec. 15—Two masked men entered the bank of John Hizenk last night and at the points of their revolvers robbed him of $180. The bank is a small concern where foreigners deposit their money and several attempts have been made recently to rob it.

$175,000 LOSS

FIRE IN A FACTORY IN CINCINNATI.

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 15.—Fire which started today in the Ohio Seat company's plant and spread to an adjoining building, occupied by the Rudolph Surree Anchor tannery, caused about $175,000 loss. The buildings mentioned and a dwelling house adjoining were destroyed. Following so closely on the two fires of Tuesday night and the $75,000 fire in the Mamolith carbon paint factory, the firemen were nearly exhausted, the intense cold making their work particularly difficult.

OBERLIN STUDENTS

WILL BE REIMBURSED FOR THEIR LOSSES.

OBERLIN, O., Dec. 15—President King has announced that friends of the college have taken steps to re-imburse students who have suffered loss by the bank failure. He said this could not apply to all cases, but only to those where the loss had been heavy and the need great. How much the students had in the Citizens' National bank is not known.

DAIRYMEN MEET.

AUBURN, Me., Dec. 15—At the Maine state dairymen's meeting held in Auburn hall this morning, it was voted to cooperate in forming a confederation of all agriculture societies in the country in order to affect legislation.

The old board of officers were re-elected as follows: Frank S. Adams, Bowdoin, president; C. E. Jones, Corina, vice president; L. W. Dyer, Cumberland Junction, secretary; Hon. Rufelus Alden, Winthrop, treasurer; W. K. Hamlin, South Waterford, trustee. One corresponding secretary was elected from each county.

SCHOONER WENT ASHORE.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15—The schooner John R. Holladay, from New York for Norfolk went ashore on the point of Cape Henlopen, just below the Delaware Breakwater early today and is still aground. A wrecking tug went to her assistance and in an attempt to launch a surf boat, the craft capsized in the heavy sea and one of the crew was drowned. A tug has left the breakwater to assist the stranded schooner.

NARROW ESCAPE.

There was quite a little excitement yesterday afternoon at the Jungle during the progress of Mme. Schell's lion act, and for a moment those present thought the little lady was seriously injured. Happily, however, she remained perfectly calm and soon had the animal safely at bay.

Baby, the lioness, is a great jumper, and one of the feats required of her is jumping over the body of the trainer, whose head is only slightly lowered, resting against the bars of the cage. The lion in going over caught the shoulder; tore off the sleeve, inflicting a wound from which the blood flowed freely. Some women screamed, but Mme. Schell shrugged her shoulders, whipped the animal into a corner, saying "all right, all right" and rushed out of the cage.

STOCK EXCHANGE TO CLOSE.

BOSTON, Dec. 15—The Boston stock exchange today voted to close Saturday, December 24.

STATE GRANGE MEETING OVER.

GREENFIELD, Dec. 15—The annual meeting of the Massachusetts state grange came to a close here today after a brief business session. Reports of standing committees were read and there was a general discussion as to methods of improving the work of the order.

COLD IN WOONSOCKET.

WOONSOCKET, R. I., Dec. 15—The mercury registered from six to 16 below in this city and vicinity at 6 this morning.

COTTON FUTURES.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15—Cotton futures opened easy. Dec. 7.52@7.67; Jan. 7.51; Feb. 7.58 bid; March 7.89; April 7.98; May 8.01; June 8.05 bid; July 8.14; Aug. 8.13@8.15; Sept. —; Oct. 8.00 bid.

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OAK HALL STANDS, $9.00 value 98c
OAK CHINA CLOSETS, $21.00 value $15.98
FANCY ROCKERS, $3.00 value $1.98
PICTURES, $2.00 value 98c
UPHOLSTERED COUCHES, $8.00 value $4.98
LEATHER COUCHES, $10.00 value $6.98
EXTENSION TABLES, $8.00 value $4.98
CHILDREN'S ROCKERS, $1.50 value 98c
HUNDREDS OF OTHER BARGAINS AT POSITIVELY THE LOWEST PRICES

SEPARATE FINES

Imposed Upon Man in Police Court

Judge Hadley handed out a rather unusual sentence to Joseph Conley in police court today. Conley was charged with drunkenness, assault and battery and when his record was read it was shown that he has failed to provide proper support for his wife. Conley was the guest of Robert Welch last evening and he went with Welch to the latter's boarding house at 32 George street.

What happened after his arrival there was told the court by Mrs. James Brown, the woman whom Conely assaulted. Mrs. Brown said that she met the defendant, Mr. Welch and a woman going up stairs and she objected, because the woman was with them. Conley took objections to her objections and struck her.

"Where did he hit you?" asked Judge Hadley.

"In the hall," replied Mrs. Brown.

"Where upon your person?" asked the court.

"On the shoulder," replied Mrs. Brown, "and he also struck my baby. I had my baby in my arms and he struck both of us. I was not hurt very much. I called my husband and when he appeared on the scene Conley struck him."

Mrs. Brown's husband corroborated her story. Conley said he had no recollection of what had taken place in the house. If he struck the woman, he said, he must have been intoxicated. The whole affair was a blank to him. He was ordered to pay a fine of $5 for assault and battery, $6 for drunkenness and $20 for neglect.

ALLEGED BOGUS COLLECTOR.

Stories appeared in the morning papers to the effect that one Charles Sargent had been arrested by Officer Ryan yesterday afternoon while trying to solicit money for alleged schemes. No such charge was pressed against Sargent in police court today. He was charged with drunkenness and was fined $2.

THE DRUNKEN OFFENDERS.

John E. Corcoran and Thomas Smith were fined $6 each. Seven first offenders were fined $2 each.

Victor Gordon, 15 charged with being a stubborn child, had his case continued to Friday.

CHANNING FRATERNITY

OFFICERS ELECTED FOR ENSUING YEAR.

The regular meeting of Channing Fraternity was held last night and the principal business of the meeting was the election of the following officers for the ensuing term:

President, Rev. C. T. Billings; vice presidents, George L. Hooper, H. R. Fletcher, Mrs. Henry J. Fay, Mrs. D. Dana Bartlett.

Secretary, Mrs. E. J. Clark.

Treasurer, Albert S. Guild.

Editor of Year Book, Mrs. Henry J. Fay.

Committee on culture: Rev. C. T. Billings, F. A. Fisher, Mrs. E. Ellingwood, Miss Clara Beard, Miss Jennie Allen, Miss Helen Lane, Dr. Edwin E. Kinney, Miss Adelaide Baker, George L. Hooper, Miss Fannie Mansur.

Committee on hospitality and benevolence: Walter Coburn, Henry J. Fay, Edward Carney, Harold Nickerson, Mrs. Chris. Holmes, Mrs. C. W. Wilder, Mrs. A. G. Swapp.

Committee on missions: Frank E. Dunbar, C. H. Coburn, George Bowers, Mrs. D. B. Bartlett, Miss Sabra Wright.

Committee on country week: Fred W. Coburn, chairman; E. Ellingwood, treasurer; F. A. Fisher, Mrs. F. P. Cheney, Avery Clark, Mrs. F. E. Dunbar, Mrs. E. E. Sawyer, Miss Jennie Bradt, Mrs. J. W. Crawford, Mrs. A. C. Moore, Mrs. J. J. Kerwin, Mrs. A. M. Paxson.

Committee on flower mission: Miss Anna F. Anderson, Mrs. Henry J. Fay, Mrs. W. B. Clark, Misses Ethel Gray, Minnie Gray, Helen Bowers, Miss Shattuck, Mrs. George Cummings, Misses Julia W. Stevens, Mary S. Nickerson, Mabel Hall, Blanche Cummings, Leslie Adams, Mrs. E. P. Carney, Mrs. J. W. Bowers, Miss Anna Fels, Mrs. Albert McCurdy.

Auditing committee: George L. Hooper, H. E. Fletcher, H. D. Burrage.

Church historian: Mrs. Henry J. Fay.

WOMAN PREACHER

HAS FILED A PETITION IN BANKRUPTCY.

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—Rev. Mary T. Whitney, pastor of the Unitarian church at Green Harbor, Marshfield, Mass., and prominent in the Unitarian denomination, has filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy, her liabilities being stated as $44,170 with no assets. Several years ago, Mrs. Whitney's husband, Rev. Herbert Whitney, lost both feet in an accident and was obliged to leave his pulpit. Since that time, Mrs. Whitney has endeavored by preaching and lecturing to help pay her husband's obligations. She was unable to meet certain notes falling due, however. Her largest creditor is Wm. Cobb, an attorney of this city, the amount due him being $16,500. Mrs. Whitney and her husband formerly held a joint pastorate in South Boston.

NEGRO CLERGYMEN

FUND OF $2,000,000 TO EDUCATE THEM.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15—Fifteen clergymen and elders interested in the work of educating the southern negro preacher have given a dinner here to the Rev. S. J. Miller, superintendent of the John C. Martin fund work. This fund which approximates $2,000,000 is to be used for educating negro clergymen of all denominations. It is the ultimate intention to bring the work to a focus in a Chautauqua for southern negroes.

The Rev. Mr. Miller has been organizing bible institutes for a year.

"We have 1000 students now," he said, "and hope to have 20,000 before we are through. The clergymen are eager to learn, and they pass the knowledge straight on to their congregations. The people of the south are with us; they approve of this method of uplifting the negro.

"We have had some difficulty with prejudice, but we are getting around that. It is the greatest work for the negro undertaken since emancipation."

FORMER EDITOR DEAD.

LONDON, Dec. 15—Norman McColl, former editor of the Athenaeum, died in London this morning of heart disease. He was born in 1843.

PLEADED GUILTY

Two Men Were Charged With Larceny

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 15.—Two young men, Wm. Jacobs and Henry Major, aged 22 and 23 years respectively, pleaded guilty in the district court here today to larceny from the person and possession of John Lindohl, an engineer, on Tuesday evening, and were held in $1500 bail for the grand jury. Lindohl was attacked while walking through a dark street in Olneyville by three men and was pounded and kicked into insensibility.

The robbers took about $16 from his pockets. Two hours after the report of the robbery the police arrested the two men arraigned today. The third of the trio escaped.

MAYOR-ELECT CASEY

CONGRATULATED BY HIS OPPONENT JAMES G. HILL.

The following note has been received by Mayor-elect Casey from his opponent in the contest, James G. Hill:

Lowell, Mass., Dec. 13, 1904.

Mr. James B. Casey,

My Dear Sir:—Allow me to extend my sincere congratulations upon your election as mayor. To have increased your majority more than a thousand votes over last year is a compliment from voters of which you may be justly proud. While the position of chief magistrate is one of great responsibility, I have no doubt but that you will be equal to all its duties and requirements. Wishing you every success during the coming year, I remain

Yours respectfully,
JAMES G. HILL.

AUTOPSY HELD

ON THE BODY OF JAMES G. WILSON.

PAWTUCKET, R. I., Dec. 15—An autopsy was performed today on the body of James G. Wilson, who died at the Pawtucket general hospital yesterday and medical examiner Charles H. Flynt gave as his opinion that the man came to his death through violence and ordered that an inquest be held.

Wilson was found unconscious about a week ago about 18 feet from the steps of a barber shop, which he conducted in Saylesville and it was then thought he had either fallen and hurt his head or had sustained a stroke of paralysis. He was taken to the hospital and died yesterday. Before his death he became delirious and during one of his spells of delirium asserted he had been stoned.

The character of bruises found on the man's head is the reason for the medical examiner's opinion. Wilson was 66 years of age and is survived by a married daughter.

"TOD" SLOAN LOSES.

PARIS, Dec. 15.—The court of appeals has confirmed the judgment of the lower court favorable to "Tod" Sloan, the American jockey, and against the jockey club.

TARGET RANGE A SUCCESS.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15.—The new protected target range at the Presidio has received its first practical test in the presence of General McArthur and is pronounced a success.

The range has been under construction the last four months and is an experiment in which the entire army is interested. It is expected similar ones will now be constructed at the different posts throughout the country.

RHODE ISLAND STATE GRANGE.

EAST PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 15—The 18th annual session of the Rhode Island state grange, which was begun here yesterday in Roger Williams hall, was continued today, the opening session being held in the fourth degree. Reception of representatives from committees and deputies and the discussion of general business followed. An explanation of the unwritten work in the first, second, third and fourth degrees was then made by Worthy Master Benjamin Martin.

Literary exercises under the direction of the Worthy Lecturer to which the public was admitted occupied the entire afternoon.

STUDENTS WILL WRESTLE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15—Students at Columbia who are interested in wrestling have taken the initiative in the formation of an inter collegiate association for the promotion of wrestling championships. Negotiations were opened with Yale, Princeton, Cornell and the University of Pennsylvania for co-operative interest in making this a regular form of intercollegiate athletics. A competent coach will be secured at once to develop material at Columbia.

FOOTBALL INJURY

BROUGHT DISEASE THAT CAUSED DEATH OF PLAYER.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15—Disease of the spine, attributed to an injury received in a football game has caused the death at Lake Wood, N. J. of Augustine F. Holly Jr., a former captain of the Princeton team. He was graduated in 1900 and was distantly related to the Vanderbilt family. Upon leaving college Holly entered on a business career in this city but was compelled to give it up two years ago.

TROOP F CAVALRY

STANDS HIGH AMONG THE CRACK SHOOTERS.

Troop F Cavalry during the past season made qualifications which place the troop high among the military companies of the state. In the troop are eight expert marksmen, seven sharpshooters, 14 first class, 30 second class, and 10 third class.

The classification of the marksmen after the season of 1904, is as follows:

Experts—Captain John J. Monahan, Lieut. Edward H. Keyes, Lieut. Edward Fisher, First Sergeant Harry C. McMaster, Sergeant William H. Quigley, Quartermaster Sergeant Charles F. Scribner, Corporal Albert C. Mitchell, Private Harry G. O'Brien.

Sharpshooters—Sergeant John H. Wilson, Sergeant David J. Dixon, Sergeant Joseph E. Marshall, Corporal Donald J. McLeod, Private Charles M. Trull, Corporal Charles S. Taylor, Private John Morning.

First class marksmen—Sergeant Edward S. Hicker, Corporal I. L. Otterman, Corporal James F. Mooney, Privates Carll E. Spaulding, Everett R. Mountain, William E. Mountain, James H. McCoy, Frank P. Martin, George W. Lamb, Arthur I. Hill, Charles F. Graham, Lewis H. Burnchett, William S. Barrett, John J. Bradley.

Second class marksmen—Assistant Surgeon Arthur G. Scoboria, Corporal Daniel E. Haley, Corporal John W. O'Brien, Bugler David P. McNally, Privates John G. Bailey, Harry S. Baker, Edgar I. Blaisdell, Benjamin Brown, Archie W. Butterick, Charles A. Carleon, Frank D. Carey, Lyman W. Chase, C. E. Crossland, Edward J. Doherty, A. Dutton, Walter Gaudette, George W. Gerow, Walter E. Goodwin, William H. Hoar, William H. Martin, Herman L. Purcell, George W. Ranger, W. G. Riffenburg, Warren F. Robarge, Waldo F. Robbin, George W. Seeton, C. Simenson, Warren A. Stearns, Joseph W. Weaver.

Third class marksmen—Privates Arthur V. Abbott, Arthur E. Barton, Willard H. Bicknell, William H. Compton, Harry W. Gomb, James P. Healey, Allan G. Leland, Robert H. Lineham, Thomas H. Welch, Nathaniel R. Whitney.

BRIG. GEN. WHITESIDE DEAD.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Brigadier General Samuel M. Whiteside, retired, who had command of the department of the Santiago during the Spanish war, died suddenly in this city today.

RUMMAGE SALE BARGAINS.

The ladies in charge of the Castilion table of the K. of C. carnival are running a rummage sale at 395 Central street, near Charles street, to be open tomorrow and Saturday. A great many valuable articles have been contributed and they will be sold very cheap.

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LATEST

HOOTED BY CROWD

Mrs. Chadwick Overcome by Reception in Cleveland

CLEVELAND, Dec. 15.—Five times indicted by the United States government at the exact minute her train rolled into the station, Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick came home to Cleveland yesterday afternoon. She was greeted with jeers, hoots and hisses by the crowds that gathered in the depot when her train arrived, and howled at by hundreds gathered in front of the federal building.

The last sound that reached her from the outside world as she passed into the stuffy, ill-smelling office of Sheriff Barry in the county jail, was the hoot of derision from the people massed in front of the doorway.

She made no attempt to give bail, and after a brief stop in the office of the clerk of the United States court, she was taken to jail. She was held last night in cell 14 in the woman's department of the jail, and her palatial residence on Euclid avenue, of which the furnishings alone are valued at $200,000, is occupied by her maid.

FALLS IN DEAD FAINT.

Her courage held to the last, but her body failed her, and when she had mounted the three flights of stairs leading to the tier of cells where she is to remain, she collapsed utterly and fell in a dead faint. But for the aid of Deputy United States Marshals Kumb and Kelker, who held her up and carried her along as she mounted the stairs, she would never have been able to reach her cell.

Breathless, pale and staggering, she was barely able to reach a chair, as the steel door of the woman's corridor swung open to receive her.

She sank feebly into a chair, her head fell backward, and but for the marshals she would have rolled to the floor. Water was quickly brought to her and in a few minutes she revived, and was again a woman of business. Sheldon Q. Kerruish, her attorney, was sent for, and she was soon engaged in a conference with him concerning her defence.

There is small chance that she will be able to leave the jail before her trial. There are now seven indictments against her—five additional charges having been laid against her in the federal court yesterday afternoon.

CARNEGIE WILLING

HE WILL TESTIFY AT CHADWICK TRIAL.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—That Andrew Carnegie is willing to appear against Mrs. Chadwick when his health has sufficiently improved was made clear in a statement given out yesterday by Mr. Carnegie's secretary, which follows in part:

"Mr. Carnegie has been willing to make a deposition at his home, and later, on his return from Florida, he will lend his assistance and be present to testify at any subsequent proceeding such as a trial whenever his testimony is needed. His one and only reason for not going to Cleveland now is that he is unable to stand the journey in this weather."

SHE IS DELIGHTED,

MRS. CHADWICK PASSED COMFORTABLE NIGHT IN JAIL.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 15.—Mrs. Chadwick's first night in the county jail was passed comfortably, according to her own statement, and this morning she was not only contented with her surroundings but told the matron, Mrs. Hall, that she was delighted at being again "with her friends in Cleveland".

She retired to her cell a short time after 12 o'clock, but could not sleep for several hours, not awakening until after 8 o'clock. A physician who was called at her request declared that she was suffering from nervous and physical exhaustion and would not for several days be in condition to attend to business matters. She said that she felt tired but "pretty well for all that". She walked for a short time up and down the corridor after arising, but said that she did not care for breakfast until later.

Her first callers at the jail were her son, Emil Hoover, and her nurse, Freda Swanstorm. The latter came down from Mrs. Chadwick's home with some clothing for Mrs. Chadwick and some linen for her bed. Both the nurse and Emil were admitted to see her for a short time, the nurse remaining after the young man had left the jail. When informed by the matron of the extent of the jail menu card, the prisoner said she was not satisfied with it, and asked that arrangements be made with a hotel close by, to send in her meals. This was done, and at 10 o'clock she called for breakfast. She ate lightly, but seemed in better spirits after doing so than she had been when she arose.

Sheriff Barry was kept busy turning away curious people who came to the jail in swarms. They also kept his telephone in a constant jingle.

"I don't know who they are," said the sheriff. "I don't know any of them. I ask them what they want to see her for, and they say that they are friends of hers, and would like to have a talk with her. Some of them claim to have business with her, but they will not say what the nature of their business may be. I know that one or two of them are people who desire to serve notice of suits of debts on her, but they will be obliged to wait for a time at least."

It was declared in the office of the County Prosecutor Keller this morning as entirely possible that Mrs. Chadwick might be summoned at some time today to appear before the county grand jury for interrogation on the investigation now going on but that the question had not been determined positively. The county grand jury continued its investigation this morning but President Beckwith of the Oberlin bank, who was to be the star witness of the day, had not put in an appearance.

Cashier Spear was a witness and went over again the story of his experiments with Mrs. Chadwick. He told the jury also all he knew concerning the New York attorney who was said by Beckwith to have declared that he knew the Carnegie notes to be genuine.

STILL IN PARIS

DR. CHADWICK HAS NOT SAILED FOR NEW YORK.

PARIS, Dec. 15.—Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick's belief that her husband, Dr. Leroy S. Chadwick has sailed for New York, from Liverpool, is erroneous. Dr. Chadwick is still here. The correspondent of the Associated Press has seen him daily. During a conversation last night, Dr. Chadwick was asked if Reynolds' charges against him might lead to prolonging his stay in Europe. Dr. Chadwick replied that it was still his intention to return to America.

"Do you expect to be included in the charges?" the doctor was asked.

"Most certainly not," he replied.

Dr. Chadwick spoke of his lengthy stay abroad which seemed to indicate that he has been absent much of the time during the business operations of his wife. He said he came to Europe in 1901, remaining 8 months and that during most of the time he was in bad health and not expected to live, owing to an attack of Roman fever during his sojourn in Italy.

After returning to Cleveland, Dr. Chadwick visited a number of cities in the United States and came back to Europe for another eight months.

He made another trip to America but as he was still ill returned to Europe where he has since remained.

HOUSE WARMING

CHICAGO ORCHESTRA IN ITS NEW HOME.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—The Chicago orchestra gave a house warming last night, the occasion being the dedication of the new orchestra hall in Michigan avenue. Theodore Thomas, leader of the orchestra, was given an enthusiastic reception by an audience of nearly 2000 persons when he raised his baton in the opening number of the dedicatory program. The movement for a permanent home for the orchestra was commenced two years ago and more than a year was consumed in raising the fund which amounted to $750,000. There were 8000 contributors.

NAVAL TUG SANK

THE ENGINEER WAS RESCUED WITH DIFFICULTY.

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 15—The United States naval tug Mohawk sank at her mooring at the navy yard today. Her engineer, who stuck to the whistle cord blowing signals of distress until the vessel went down, was rescued with difficulty by other members of the crew who had sought safety on the wharf. No reason can be assigned for her sinking.

PUBLIC BEQUESTS

WILL OF GILBERT E. HOOD OF LAWRENCE.

LAWRENCE, Mass., Dec. 15—Among the bequests made in the will of the late Gilbert E. Hood, filed today, $10,000 is divided among local charitable societies and $1500 is left to the American board of foreign missions and $1500 to the Massachusetts Home Missionary society.

COMMISSIONER WARE

RETIRED FROM THE PENSION OFFICE TODAY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Commissioner of pensions, Eugene F. Ware, today relinquished his official duties here and left for his home in Kansas. Deputy Commissioner J. L. Davenport assumed charge of the pension bureau as acting commissioner and will remain pending the appointment of a permanent successor to Mr. Ware.

TARGET RANGE A SUCCESS.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15.—The new protected target range at the Presidio has received its first practical test in the presence of General McArthur and is pronounced a success.

The range has been under construction the last four months and is an experiment in which the entire army is interested. It is expected that similar ones will now be constructed at the different posts throughout the country.

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FEARFUL DISASTER

Suspension Bridge at Charleston, West Virginia, Fell Over

Six Teams and Perhaps Thirty School Children Precipitated to Icy Waters of Elk River Fifty Feet Below

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Dec. 15—The suspension bridge connecting East and West Charleston fell through today, precipitating six teams and a number of school children estimated variously from a dozen to 30, into the ice covered waters some 50 feet below. The following were rescued within an hour:

ZELIA SMITH, 9, arm broken and internal injuries.

LILLIE CAVENDAR, 16, bruised.

LOUISE McWHORLER and HELEN CAVENDER, who went down but got out themselves on the ice; IRA WOOD, a driver, WM. HOMES, a driver, both badly bruised; GEORGE WOODELL, a driver; HENRY FIELDER, who was perhaps fatally injured.

The dead body of Mamie Higginbotham, aged 8, was recovered. Of thirteen horses but one escaped.

Ray Humphrey is missing.

Great anxious crowds line the banks as many people on the west side are employed in Charleston. But one strang of the cable remains. The bridge turned turtle as it went down and the floor is lying amid the ice floes a little below the place of crossing. Men in boats are fishing in twenty feet of water for bodies. The bridge has been in a dangerous condition for some time.

WOMEN SEARCH FOR CHILDREN.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 15.—A telegram from Charlestown, W. Va., says two bodies have been recovered from Elk river where the suspension bridge collapsed today. They are John Higgenbotham and Ray Humphrey, both school children. The river bank is filled with frantic women who fear that their children may have been drowned in the river. The entire police and fire force of the city is at the river consoling the people and taking out the bodies from the river. It is estimated that there were 30 people on the bridge and that 20 of these were school children. Six teams were plunged into the river.

DEATHS

CONLON—Mrs. Ann E. Conlon died this morning at her late home, 58 Pleasant street. She was a devoted member of the Immaculate Conception church for years and was beloved by all who knew her. She leaves a husband, two sons, James and John, and one daughter, Anna E. The funeral will take place from her late home at 8.30 o'clock Saturday morning. Friends invited without further notice.

ROEBUCK—Alice Mildred Roebuck, infant daughter of William H. and Martha E., died this morning at the home of her parents, 34 Mill street, Collinsville.

FUNERALS

THOMPSON—The funeral of Hugh A. Thompson was held yesterday afternoon from the rooms of Undertakers Young & Co. Services were conducted by Rev. J. M. Craig and the bearers were members of Lowell lodge, K. of P. Burial was in the Edson cemetery.

LANE—The funeral of Martin Lane took place yesterday afternoon from his home, 23 Shaw street. Services were held at St. Peter's church, Rev. Fr. McDermod officiating. The bearers were William and John Mahoney, Thomas Mowavan, William Platt, John Riley and James Tully. Burial was in the Catholic cemetery, where Rev. Fr. McDermod read the committal prayers at the grave. Undertaker Savage had charge.

DANCOSSE—The funeral of Alfred Dancosse took place yesterday from the residence of his cousin, Francois Dancosse, 449 Moody street. The funeral services were held at St. Jean Baptiste church, Rev. Fr. Diss, O. M. I., officiating. The bearers were Paul Moreau, Charles Dumont, Joseph Delange, Frank Camire, Ludger Caron and S. Moreau. Among those present at the services was Joseph Dancosse of Gorham, N. H., father of the deceased. The body was deposited in the tomb at St. Joseph's cemetery. Undertaker Joseph Albert had charge.

ASTBURY—The funeral of Frederick Astbury, who died at the Lowell hospital Sunday as the result of injuries sustained by falling down an elevator well at the Bigelow Carpet Co.s' mill last week, was held yesterday afternoon, from his home, 81 Fourth street, and burial was in the Edson cemetery. Rev. Mr. Jenkins was the officiating clergyman and Undertaker J. B. Currier had charge.

DAVIS—The funeral of the late Elizabeth B. Davis, who was found dead in bed in her room at Dows' block in Central street, Monday, took place this afternoon at three o'clock from the funeral parlors of Undertaker C. H. Molloy in Market street. The services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Ellis of the First Baptist church. There were many floral offerings in evidence and the interment was in the Edson cemetery under the direction of Undertaker Molloy.

McNAMARA—The funeral of Miss Kate McNamara took place this morning from her late home, 593 Broadway, at 8.30 o'clock, and services were held at St. Patrick's church at 9 o'clock. Rev. Fr. McHugh officiated and the choir under the direction of Mr. Michael Johnson, sang the Gregorian chant. At the offertory Mr. Frank McCarthy sang "Pie Jesu". At the close of the mass Miss Ethel Ranger sang "I Love to Hear My Saviour's Voice". As the body was leaving the church the choir sang the "De Profundis". Among the floral tributes was a large standing cross inscribed "Shopmate," from the Massachusetts Mohair plush company. Interment was in St. Patrick's cemetery, Rev. Fr. McHugh reading the committal prayer. Undertaker P. H Savage had charge. The bearers were Peter Kelly, Charles Contermarche, William Kane, John Kane, Joseph Falle, Henry Read.

ROACH—The funeral of the late Mrs. Anna Roach will take place from her home, 27 Chapel street Friday morning at 8.15 o'clock, and a high mass of requiem will be celebrated at St. Peter's church at nine o'clock. Friends are requested not to send flowers.

TOTALLY DESTROYED

FIVE STORY BUILDING BURNED TO GROUND.

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 15.—The five-story building occupied by the Mammoth Carbon Paint company was totally destroyed by fire last night. The loss is $75,000, fully covered by insurance.

OFFICIAL CANVASS

OF THE VOTE CAST IN NEW YORK STATE.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 15—Roosevelt's plurality in the state of New York at the last election was 175,557, as shown by the official returns certified today by the board of state canvassers. That of Lieut. Governor Frank W. Higgins, for governor was 80,560. Judge Parker is shown to have run nearly 40,000 behind Judge D. Cady Herrick, the democratic candidate for governor. Secretary of state John F. O'Brien, republican candidate for re-election, led his ticket with a plurality of 138,690, his total vote being only 15,141 less than Roosevelt's. The board of state canvassers, which comprises the secretary of state, attorney general, comptroller, treasurer and state engineer and surveyor met today as the law requires, in the office of the secretary of state and canvassed the returns certified by the several county canvassing boards. Upon their vote of today the successful candidates will be notified of their election and certificates of election issued accordingly.

The highest elector on each presidential ticket is taken as the standard in the figures which follow, relating to the choice of presidential electors. James E. March elector for Roosevelt received a total of 859,533 votes, the highest Parker elector receiving 683,981.

The other party totals for president are:

Socialist democrat 36,883; Prohibition 20,787; Socialist Labor 9127; People's Party 7495.

For governor, a total of 1,625,907 votes were cast, of which Frank W. Higgins received 813,264, a plurality of 80,560 over the total of 732,704 cast for D. Cady Herrick. Other candidates for governor received: Pendergast, Socialist democrat, 36,359; McKee, Prohibitionist 20,568; De Leon, Socialist Labor, 59976; Boulton, People's, 6015. Defective, blank and scattering votes for governor totalled 5121.

Edgar M. Cullen for chief judge and Wm. E. Werner, for assistant judge of the court of appeals received 1,510,471 and 1,541,986 respectively. One of the results of the state election proper will be the loss of status as an official party by the socialists labor party, it having failed to cast the necessary total of 10,000 votes for its candidates for governor.

The social democratic party retains its place in the third column. The people's party was on the ballot by petition.

The total vote for governor this year shows an increase this year over last of 69,389.

PRES. MELLEN

SAYS ROAD WILL BE OPERATED AS BEFORE.

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—President Charles S. Mellen of the N. Y., N. H. and H. railroad, who is in this city, announced today that there would be no change in the operation of the Pittsfield and Stockbridge and Berkshire railroad companies, in which a controlling interest recently has been acquired by the New Haven line. Mr. Mellen said:

"We propose to operate the roads hereafter the same as heretofore; they have always been operated by the N. Y., N. H. and H. railroad and always will be."

The Pittsfield and Stockbridge road extends from Pittsfield to Van Deusenville, a distance of 22 miles, and the Berkshire line continues from the New York state line through West Stockbridge and VanDeusenville to the Connecticut line at Canaan. The roads together have about 44 miles of track. As soon as they were built the roads were leased for 999 years to the old Housatonic railroad company but the N. Y., N. H. and H. railroad company took over all the leases and has since been operating the roads.

By this acquisition President Mellen's company gets absolute control of the southern direct route from New York to the Berkshire hills. The roads do a large business, particularly in summer, from Pittsfield, Lenox and Stockbridge.

SECRETARY HIBBERT

ASKS FOR GENEROUS CONTRIBUTION FOR STRIKERS.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Dec. 15.—In sending out the usual notice of the quarterly per capita tax, Secretary Hibbert of the United Textile Workers of America calls the attention of members to the strike in Fall River and the need of generous contributions for the support of the idle operatives, who, he says, are making the fight against a reduction of wages throughout the cotton industry.

THE RHODES SCHOLARSHIPS.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 15.—The qualifying examination for the Cecil Rhodes scholarships will be held in 1905, on January 17 and 18, at Yale university, the elected scholars to begin residence at Oxford in October, 1905, according to an official announcement made today.

STOCK MARKET

Today's Quotations on Active Stocks

The following are the closing quotations of today's stock market for active stocks:

NEW YORK STOCKS.

Am Sugar	139
Am Sugar pfd	138
A & T	83¼
A & T pfd	102
B & O	99½
B & O pfd	95½
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	58
Chi & Gt W	22¼
C M St & P	167¼
C R & P	31½
C R & P pfd	83
Con Gas	201½
Del & Hud	184½
Erie R R	36⅞
Erie 1st	73⅞
Gen Elect	184
Manhat Con	163
Mo Kan & Tex	29½
Mo Kan & Tex pfd	61½
Met St Ry	119½
Mis Pac	106⅝
N Y Cen	136
N Y Ont & W	43¾
Penn	134⅞
People's Gas	105⅝
So Pac	61⅝
Reading	77⅞
Reading pfd	90
Reading 2d pfd	80
Tex & Pac	33⅞
Union Pac	108⅛
Union Pac pfd	96
U S Steel	27⅝
U S Steel pfd	88¾
Wabash	21¼
Wabash pfd	42¼
W U Telegraph	93¾
U S Leather	16⅝
U S Leather pfd	102⅛

BOSTON STOCKS.

Adventure	6
Amalgamated	64⅝
American Wool	20¼
American Wool pfd	92¼
Am Tel & Tel	144
Arcadia	1¾
Atlantic	16
Anaconda	29
Anaconda	102½
Allouez	18
B & Maine	175
Bingham	33½
Boston	6½
Calumet & Hecla	645
Centennial	25
Chicago Junction	150
Chicago Junction pfd	123
Copper Range	66
Dom Steel	18
Dom Coal	63½
Daly-West	12½
Elm River	2½
Elevated	153
Fitchburg	140
Franklin	11
Granby	5
Greene	26⅞
Mass	8¾
Mass Gas	37
Mass Gas pfd	80¾
Mass Electric	14⅛
Mass Electric pfd	61⅞
Mayflower	81
Mex Cen	21
Michigan	9¼
M C & C	4⅞
Mohawk	50
N E Tel	137
Osceola	92
N Y, N H & H R R	196
Old Colony Mine	1⅛
Old Colony R R	203½
Old Dominion	24⅞
Shannon	8¾
Royal	24⅞
Rhode Island	1⅝
Tamarack	115
Tennessee	39
Parrott	26½
Quincy	102
Sante Fe	2⅜
Trinity	11
United States	24⅝
United States Oil	10⅞
Utah	42¼
Victoria	4⅛
Winona	11¼
Wolverine	104½
Western Tel	20½
Western Tel pfd	99
West End	93
West End pfd	117
Wyandotte	1⅜

*Ex-Dividend

SAMUEL GOMPERS

Presided at Session of Civic Federation

INTERNATIONAL BODY MAY BE FORMED

Pres. Roosevelt Commends the Work

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The creation of an international body based upon the National civic federation as it exists at present in this country was forecasted by Ralph M. Easley, chairman of the executive committee, in a report to the executive committee of the national civic federation at the annual meeting of that body in this city today. The meeting was executive and Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor presided. Andrew Carnegie was present.

Mr. Easley in his report said that the movements for the organization of civic federation are making good progress in England, France, Germany and Canada. He believed that their success might logically lead to the creation of an international body to improve the condition of wage earners and their relations with employers and they forward economic education throughout the world.

The newly organized welfare department which deals with the physical comfort, recreation and education of employes, has received enthusiastic support from many employers, according to the report of Chairman Vereland, who followed Mr. Easley. Mr. Vereland said the work was practical as well as altruistic. A growing appreciation of the trade agreement on the part of both organized employers and wage earners, as a practical method of securing and maintaining industrial peace, was reported by Francis L. Robbins, chairman of the department of trade agreements.

The following letter from President Roosevelt was read to the members of the federation:

White House, Washington, Dec. 14, 1904.

My Dear Sir:—

"I greatly regret that my duties here do not admit my attending the annual meeting of the National Civic Federation, which will be held in New York City, on Thursday, the fifteenth instant. But though I cannot take part in the conference or be present at the dinner in connection therewith, I am sure you understand that I am in hearty accord and sympathy with the purposes of the National Civic Federation in its effort for the establishment of 'More rightful relations between employers and employees.' It is a movement so praiseworthy and so thoroughly American in conception that it should as a matter of course receive the earnest support of all good citizens, who are awake to the vital needs of our nation.

"Views upon economic and sociological problems often differ. There can be, however, no division of opinion against the aim should it be toward establishing an ever closer basis of mutual respect and friendship, the relations between employers and workmen.

"The men associated in the National Civic Federation have already done much in the direction of settling labor difficulties on a basis of conciliation and just dealing. Among those most prominent in this work and largely and intimately associated with all your work, was the late Marcus A. Hanna, senator from Ohio, president of the National Civic Federation, a large employer of labor, a man of extraordinary force of character and great mental strength, who devoted much of his time and efforts to the material improvement of the wage earners, not only without injury to employers, but to their marked benefit, as well as to the benefit of the people generally. When he attended the last meeting of your body, his condition was such that a less consideration of the interests of others would have prompted him to have stayed away, in the interests of his own life and health. But when he saw what he deemed a high duty, he never paid any heed to his own physical welfare.

"You are about to elect a president to fill the vacancy caused by his death; and I am sure your wise judgment will enable you to choose some man able to carry on in his spirit and with his power, the great work of your association.

"Again permit me to assure you of my entire sympathy with your organization which has done so much, and which, if rightfully conducted, will, I am confident, achieve so much more in the interests of the people of our common country.

"Sincerely yours,

(Signed) THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

"Samuel Gompers First Vice President National Civic Federation, Washington."

INAUGURAL BALL

WILL BE HELD IN CONGRESSIONAL LIBRARY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The house committee on District of Columbia today authorized a report on a resolution making provision for the inaugural ball substituting the congressional library for the pension building.

MAY BE ASHORE

Japanese Cruiser is in Danger

CHEFOO, Dec. 15.—Captain Hansen of the German steamer Taintau, which arrived here today, reports seeing a Japanese cruiser yesterday apparently ashore in Yungching Bay, 63 miles southeast of Chefoo and 30 miles from Wei Hai Wei. A large merchantman was seemingly rendering assistance. The distance made observation uncertain.

TORPEDO BOATS MAKE AN ATTACK

LONDON, Dec. 15.—A dispatch to the Japanese legation from Tokio says:

The commander of the third squadron reports that the Sevastopol's bow which had previously sunk three feet had further sunk this morning and at 9 a. m. her torpedo tube was completely submerged.

One of the torpedo boats which attacked the Sevastopol has been missing from 11.30 p. m. yesterday to 3 a. m. today.

Six torpedo boats have attacked the Sevastopol, the Otvashni and another ship. Details have not yet been received.

CHIEF NAMED FOR NAVAL STAFF

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 15, 7.20 a. m.—Vice Admiral Bezobrazoff has been appointed chief of the naval staff during the absence of Vice Admiral Rojestvensky.

LAST RUSSIAN SHIP TORPEDOED BY JAPS

TOKIO, Dec. 15, Noon—It is reported that the Japanese have successfully torpedoed the Russian battleship Sevastopol.

MANY BUILDINGS HAVE BEEN SHATTERED

HEADQUARTERS OF THIRD JAPANESE ARMY, Via Fusan, Dec. 14.—Every part of the city and harbor of Port Arthur is visible from 203-Metre hill. The streets of the city are deserted and but few soldiers are doing patrol duty. Many buildings have been burned and others shattered. The harbor presents a strange appearance with the turrets, masts and funnels of warships showing just above the water. There is not a vessel afloat in the harbor. The docks and buildings on the water front are torn and burned. The Japanese shells reach every part of the city and harbor.

HEARTY RECEPTION FOR GEN. KAULBARS

HARBIN, Manchuria, Dec. 15.—General Kaulbars, commander of the third army, met with a hearty reception on his arrival here today.

There are 22 hospitals, each with 180 beds here. The officers' ward is under the control of the wife of Gen. Mistchenko. There are many cases of typhoid fever.

JAPANESE COLUMN MOVING NORTHWARD

MUKDEN, Manchuria, Dec. 15.—The Japanese column on General Oyama's retreat, which Gen. Renenkampeff recently drove back to the Taitse river, is again reported to be moving northeast and strongly holding the Siadogai-Sianchan region, 5000 men with eight guns being at Sianchan and 10,000 men with eight guns at Saimatze.

The Japanese are also holding Siantzeintzu and Renshu, with a small force they occupy Siaodyr on the south bank of the Taitse river and they are guarding the bridge which is no longer of any importance owing to the freezing of the river. A Japanese prisoner says the besieging army at Port Arthur is composed of the first, ninth and eleventh divisions and the fourth and eighth reserve brigades.

The extreme cold keeps the guards quiet along the front.

NEWSPAPERS FOOLED BY AN ADVENTURER

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 15.—Much disgust is manifested over the manner in which a notorious Russian adventurer has swindled several newspapers abroad by false stories of Russia having secret information about the North sea incident. The authorities here are in no ways responsible for these reports and express confidence in the testimony which will be submitted to the international commission in Paris.

The Russ supports Captain Clado's demand for a court martial, declaring that as he is one of the principal Russian witnesses he should go to Paris completely rehabilitated.

The Gazetta declares that if Japan is successful in this war she will colonize Manchuria and maintain a standing army there as a buffer against Russia and that if she fails she surely will head an uprising in China. The paper therefore warns the pro-Japanese in the United States and elsewhere who are interested in commerce with China to consider well the effect of either alternative.

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MINSTREL SHOW

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IN ASSOCIATE HALL LAST EVENING

Affair Under Auspices of Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus gave a delightful Ladies' Night at Associate Hall, last evening complimentary to the ladies who are assisting on the tables at the coming bazaar. The attraction offered was the Mohair Minstrels who recently made a decided hit in Odd Fellows' Temple and they were even a greater success last evening for their performance went off more smoothly and the large audience showed its appreciation by frequent encores.

Standing room was at a premium when at 8 o'clock the curtain went up revealing the old fashioned minstrel front.

The program:

Curtain Raiser, Down Mobile.
Introductory Overture
"When Mother Was Sixteen,"
David Dobson.
"Sunlight and Shadow,"
Miss Marion Brown.
"Oysters and Clams"
John Sidebottom.
"The Sweetest Girl in Dixie,"
Miss Nano Gallagher.
Alexander
John McNamara.
"Good Bye Little Girl Good Bye,"
E. Wirt.
"Eternal Love"
A. J. Fisher.
"Gee! It's Great to Be Crazy"
J. Myers and Sloan.
"That Grand Old Song"
Osmond Long.
"A Rare Old Bird"
W. Sherwell.
"May Morning"
Mrs. Winifred Symonds.
"Here's Your Hat What's Your Hurry"
Alex. E. Williams.
"Let All Obey,"
T. Boulger.
"Back, Back, Back to Baltimore"
H. Webster, Jr.
"Star of My Life"
James E. Donnelly.
Grand Finale.

The circle was composed of the following:

Interlocutor, Henry Allen; end men, bones, J. McNamara, H. Webster, Jr., J. Sidebottom; tambos, Alex Williams, T. Gibson, J. R. Whittaker; soloists, Mrs. Winifred Symonds, soprano; Miss Nano Gallagher, contralto; Osmond Long, tenor; D. Hird, tenor; E. Wirt, tenor; A. Fisher, baritone; J. Donnelly, baritone; D. Dobson, bass; T. Boulger, bass; comedy duetists, John Myers and Joseph Sloan.

Chorus—Tenors: D. McKenzie, E. Cornellier, A. Germaine, D. Warren, J. R. Whittaker, D. Hambleton, J. Rhodes, G. F. Maguire, J. Van Steenburg, R. Hannon, H. De Hopper, F. Marshall, M. Gorman, W. Sherwell, G. Hunt, G. Faulkner; basses, J. W. Harrison, C. Jenkins, F. Luce, H. Mosley, Jr., W. Thornton, E. Jeffrey, A. Watson, J. Cooper, M. Martin, M. Dacey, R. J. Turrell, W. Sutherland, A. Harrison, Allan Black, E. Pearson, G. Lee; sopranos: Miss J. Ferry, Miss M. A. Scobie, Miss J. Foster, Miss A. Scanlon, Miss V. Kennedy, Miss L. A. Kyes, Miss C. M. Clark, Miss L. V. Whiteley, Miss P. E. Osgood, Miss M. Smith, Miss B. Quinn, Miss D. Smith, Miss M. Whiteley, Miss H. Ross; altos, Miss E. Watson, Miss L. Gormley, Miss A. Lacomb, Miss S. McCall, Miss M. Crowe, Miss F. Cummings, Miss L. Kelley, Miss L. Roy, Miss E. McGannon, Miss F. Roy.

Pickaninnies—Girls: Lavania Watson, Bessie Sidebottom, Alice Scuitton, Ethel Brooks, Florence Northup, Bertha Cricket, Florence Hankinson, Mamie Keegan, Hazel Welch, Clara Barnard, Belle Harriman, Ruth Bowen, Bertha Clements; boys: L. Sidebottom, A. Lovejoy, R. Coutrie, W. Cooper, M. E. Bean, L. Cooper, L. H. Wood, P. Hartley, E. Stanley, E. Jenkins.

Mohair Belles—Topsy, Miss Mary Wayman; Tootsie, Miss Alice Bowman.

The end men reeled off a number of bright jokes, some with a local flavor, while Messrs. Myers and Sloan, "The long and the short of it," were also a hit. Phil Lederman acted as director and it was greatly due to his efforts that the affair was such a complete success.

After the entertainment the floor was cleared for dancing which was enjoyed until midnight to the music of Hibbards' orchestra.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

The regular meeting of Women's Relief corps of Gen. B. F. Butler post was held last night and the following officers were elected: Mrs. Helen M. Quinn, president; Mrs. Della Goss, S. V. P.; Mrs. Jos. P. MacDonald, J. V. P.; Mrs. E. Goodwin, treasurer; Mrs. L. Worthen, secretary; Miss S. Baker, chaplain; Miss Mary I. Smith, conductor; Mrs. Clase, guard. The corps also voted to furnish a room at the Soldiers' home in Chelsea. Mrs. J. P. MacDonald was elected delegate to the convention in Boston, next February, and Mrs. J. Worden, alternate.

Officers were nominated at the meeting of I. H. D. of M. held last night.

The regular meeting of Reliance lodge was held last night in Lincoln hall with Commander Lady Holman in the chair. Routine business was transacted. One candidate was initiated.

The National Association of Stationary Engineers at the last regular meeting of Lowell association, No. 17, had a very enjoyable visit and smoke talk in an informal way from Brother Howes of Rhode Island and Brother Green of Waltham. There were some very interesting discussions on engineering appliances in some of the large, up-to-date power plants. There is to be something later on in the way of lectures of interest.

CARPENTERS' UNION.

The French carpenters' union held a meeting last night and elected officers for the ensuing term. The officers elected were as follows: President, Rosarde Leclair; vice president, Napoleon Turgeon; recording secretary, Philippe Chaput; financial secretary, Ferdinat Ouellette; treasurer, Fortunat Gadbois; conductor, Elzear Michelin; warden, Eugene Ducharme; trustee, Origene Descoteaux; auditors, Eugene Marcotte, George Paquin, John B. Bernier, chief.

Tomorrow night, the union, together with the other local union, 49, will go to Lawrence, where quite a celebration is to be held by the three local Carpenters unions, the American, French and German, and where the Lowell men are to be guests of honor. The Lawrence brethren were entertained some time ago by the local French union, and Friday's "time" is to be given in return for the courtesy then extended the Lawrence carpenters. The Lowell contingent will leave for Lawrence at 6.45 tomorrow night, taking a special car at the square.

BASKET BALL

TO-NIGHT At 8.30

WESTFORD STREET ARMORY

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THE LINEUP OF BOTH TEAMS WILL BE MADE UP FROM THE FOLLOWING PLAYERS:

LOWELL—Toby Mathews, Enos, Leighton, Davey, William and Ivan Loos.	NATICK—Hough, Fogarty, Ferat, Mulliner, Kinkalde, Mayham, Deal.

Preliminary Game—Lowell Textile vs. Nashua High.

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WITH THE HORSES

Items of Interest Clipped and Gleaned

An unweaned McKinney foal sold at the Old Glory sale for $900.

Ed Geers will campaign Tom Axworthy, 2.08¾, next season.

Lou Dillon, 1.58½, will be wintered by Budd Doble in California.

Fred Hyde will drive for N. W. Hubinger of New Haven next season.

Dr. Strong, 2.07½, will be raced next year down the line by Ed Benyon.

Frank Yoakum, 2.05½, won nine races out of seventeen starts the past season.

C. K. S. Billings purchased Alexander, 2.09½, to try for the saddle record with next year.

George Spear will train a string of runners for E. E. Smathers at New Orleans this winter.

Melton, 2.14¾, by Allerton, formerly raced by Chester Lasell has been sold to European parties.

Deonatus, 2.17½, by Alcantara, is now a companion in the stud to Moquette, 2.10, at the farm of W. H. Davis, Washington, Pa.

W. W. Bair, who drove Maud S. 2.08¾, has broken into the game again and has a string of horses at Belmont park, Philadelphia.

The Professional Drivers' Beneficial association has increased the dues from $5 to $10 per annum, and the secretary's salary to $600.

Carrie Bel, 2.14¾, by Lynne Bel, recently purchased by A. C. Pennock is to be shifted to pacing and it is believed she can pace better than 2.10.

A green 2-year-old pacer by Nutwood Wilkes, 2.16½, dam Atherine, 2.16¾, by Patron, 2.14¼, recently worked a half in 1.02¼ at Pleasanton, Cal.

Phebon W., 2.08¾, started in eight races in the Maritime Provinces the past season, never losing a heat and winning $1650 in premiums within seven weeks.

Bellsire, 2.18, who was purchased by a Canadian gentleman at the Old Glory sale, is said to be the first son of Electioneer ever owned in the Dominion.

A. J. McClure, a well-known amateur reinsman of Albany, N. Y., has bought the pacer Albert, 2.04¾, by Flower, and will race him on the ice this winter.

Dr. J. C. McCoy now owns Admiral Dewey, 2.14¾, having bought A. J. Welch's interest in the horse. The son of Nancy Hanks will be raced next season.

The International Stock Food Co. of Minneapolis now has a great quartet of stallions in Dan Patch, 1.56; Directum, 2.05¼; Roy Wilkes, 2.06½, and Arion, 2.07¾.

The Worcester driving park company report the three meetings held the past season as good financial winners and they have declared a big dividend on their stock.

Her Grace by Austral, that paced a mile this fall in 2.04¾ has been purchased by George D. Sherman of New York and she will be in Lou McDonald's hands next season.

There are two own sisters to the Bishop, 2.06, out in Montana. They are both pacers, one a 3-year-old called Lady Bishop, the other is 5 years old and called Mildred C.

James Butler of New York has purchased from C. C. Van Meter, Louisville, Ky., the fast 2-year-old trotter, The Phantom, by Boreal, 2.15¾, at a reported price of $10,000.

Caesar was crossing the Rubicon.

"When I return," he said, "I'll give the river the double cross."

This is the origin of the expression.—New York Mail.

Sweet Marie, 2.04¾, is running out in a paddock at Los Angeles, Cal. She will be taken up Jan. 1 and shod and worked along easily until May 1, when she will be shipped East.

Among the Walnut Hall farm horses that Ed. Benyon will train again next year is the fast roan filly Jessie Benyon, 3, by Moko. She has no mark but could trot at 2.11 the past season.

Hall Frey, 2.09¼, that the Texas reinsman, W. O. Foote, campaigned in the grand circuit in 1904, is owned by James H. Oglebay, of Kansas City, Mo., and is now at the Kansas City track.

Sweet Marie, 2.04¾, made 13 starts this season, in which 41 heats were trotted. Of these she won 27 heats and trotted one dead heat. She trotted 21 heats in 2.10 or better. These 2.10 heats average 2.07½.

J. B. Haggin's famous Rancho del Paso, in California, the largest nursery of race horses, runners and trotters in the world, is to be cut up into subdivisions and sold. It is worth millions of dollars.

The pacing mare Alice Mapes, 2.06¾, by Oratorio, 2.13 dam Lena Mapes, by Louis Napoleon, that took her record this year, is now in foal to Joe Patchen, 2.01¼, and has been booked to Direct, 2.05½ for 1906.

The Halifax Recorder says: "The death of Ionita F. just as she showed she would be faster than last year, was a blow to the turf as well as to her enterprising owner. A. B. Etter of Amherst, N. S.

Harry Benedict, an assistant trainer for Geers when he raced the Village farm horses and last year with Scott Hudson has signed as second trainer for William J. Andrews who will develop the McKinney's.

Will Yapp has sailed for England and will be in the employ of Walter Winans Mr. Yapp accompanied the horses, Prince Alert, 1.57, The Deacon, 2.14¼, and the outlaw, May L. C., otherwise known as Natalie N. 2.14¼.

It is said that Arion, 2.07¾, recently occupied the same stall in the stable of Frank Ferguson, New York City, in which his sire, Electioneer, was kept for a day or so when on his way to California, over a quarter of a century ago.

The net results of the season made by John R. Gentry, 2.00½, in 1903 at Ewell farm are thirty-one living foals, sixteen of which are colts. They are the most remarkable set of colts ever seen in Tennessee and are exceptionally uniform in color.

The stable of trotters and pacers belonging to Mr. Billings, with the exception of Prince of Orange, 2.06½ and Hontas Crooke, 2.07½ were last week shipped from the Speedway stables to Cleveland, where they will winter in charge of Charles Tanner.

T. F. Donnelly's trotting mare, Madeline Electric, after winning the first heat in an event at the Charles River speedway dropped dead in the third heat after finishing third in the second heat. She was a valuable mare and won the silver cup at a former matinee.

E. B. Rice the young Bostonian who purchased John M., 2.02¾, the first week of the sale, for $4100, evidently got a bargain for he was offered by wire by Dave McDonald of Pittsburg, $7500 for the gelding. The offer was refused and $10,000 named was the price wanted.

"Send me $500, dad," wrote the young man from college. "Money makes the mare go."

The reply was equally brief.

It said: "Yours received. I enclose $50. That ought to be enough for a jackass."—Louisville Courier Journal.

The Kentucky Trotting Horse Breeders' association track has been plowed up to the depth of about five inches and will remain in that condition till next spring, when it will be oiled and worked into condition. It is Mr. Wilson's opinion that this treatment will greatly improve the track.

Manager Hitchings of the Saugus, Mass., track, says that there was no foundation to the story that he is to make extensive changes and improvements at the track. He will, however, build an additional row of stalls to accommodate the increasing number of horses attracted by his two weeks' meetings.

Thomas W. Murphy, acting for James Butler, last Wednesday sold to Adam Machattie, of Scotland, the two pacers, Trilby Direct, 2.05¾, and Direct Fire 2.14½, by Direct, 2.05½. They will be shipped abroad at once. Hopper, 2.14½ was also bought by the same gentleman and will go along with them.

Daughters of Nutwood, 2.18¾, furnished a greater number of the new standard performers of 1904 than those of any other fifteen trotters and seven pacers. His daughters have already produced 179 trotters and 60 pacers that have made standard records, a total of 239. This gives him a long lead over any other stallion that has ever lived as a sire of producing dams.

An offer of $5000 has been refused for Nathan Straus, 2.01½, recently. Three years ago he was relegated to the speedway but showed so well that he was campaigned the following season and reduced his mark four seconds. Every one supposed of course he was all in but he was better than ever last summer and beat 2.05 four times in races.

One of the lessons taught by the Old Glory sale recently closed is that proprietors of large trotting breeding establishments with a fast stallion bred in popular lines at its head must either train and race and get of that stallion or induce some one else to do so in order to get the best prices either for the stallion himself or his get at public sale.

BOXING GOSSIP

The question, who is the featherweight champion, has been revived. The dethronement of Terry McGovern by Young Corbett and the latter's advancement to the lightweight ranks has left this division without a legitimate premier. For over ten years George Dixon was at the helm. Then came McGovern, who whipped Dixon. Now there are at least three boxers claiming the featherweight championship: Abe Attell of California, Harry Harris of Chicago, and Hughey McGovern. Harris and Attel can get to the weight without much trouble. McGovern is more of a bantam than anything else and says that if needs be he will fight at the featherweight limit and settle the argument.

It is a pretty state of affairs when such an important class as the featherweight is without a recognized leader. In England there are two men who can get to 122 pounds, the limit of this class, without turning a hair. They are Ben Jordan and Pedlar Palmer. Jordan has already defeated George Dixon and several other aspiring featherweights of this country who were acknowledged by experts as being the real thing. Outside of his defeat by Eddie Santry, Jordan never has been whipped at the weight. Santry put the Englishman to sleep, but the match was for no title. Since that contest Santry has met with reverses time and again, while the Briton has continued to win. Jordan says that the title really belongs to him, and he has excellent ground for this contention. It has been suggested that the best way to settle the question would be to let Attell, McGovern and Harris have it out between themselves. Let two of these meet in a 20 round bout and the winner meet the next man until Jordan is reached. Then let the victor of this last scrap be acknowledged as the featherweight champion of the world.

Battling Nelson, Young Corbett, Jimmy Britt and Eddie Hanlon are lightweights. So is Terry McGovern, and his assurance that he can get to 122 pounds once more without injuring his strength or affecting his chances of victory must be taken in a humorous way. McGovern weighs now 130 pounds. He is always in fair trim, so the best he can do, even if he trains as carefully and conscientiously as he usually does, would be 125 pounds. Britt has confessed that 133 pounds is his best weight at present. Battling Nelson likes 128 pounds, while Corbett has to work like a Trojan to even scale below the 130 pound notch. As for Hanlon, he has confessed that it is a severe strain on his system to even try to make 127 pounds.

Attell weighs in trim about 120 pounds, Harris about 121 pounds, and Hughey McGovern 118 pounds. While the latter has a fine record he has not had enough experience and should wait before going in for honors in this division. So the choice appears to be between Harris and Attell, as far as America is concerned. Perhaps some enterprising club may come forward and offer an enticing purse for a match on this order. Such a battle ought to attract a large crowd. Should these boys meet there is no doubt that Jordan could be induced to come here and meet the winner.

All kinds of novelties, Oriental Bazaar.

LOYALS, SOCIABLE.

The Loyals conducted a social last night in Prescott hall and the affair proved to be a grand success both from a social and financial standpoint. Music for dancing was furnished by Kittredge's orchestra. The officers of the affair were as follows: General manager, E. A. Armstrong, assistant general manager, Miss Annie Cummings; floor director, Roy Fuller; assistant flor director, Miss Bertha Richardson; chief aid, William Gray; aids, Frank Foye, Miss Gertrude McMillan, William Sawyer, Miss Susan LaMountain, G. Ryam, Miss Etta Foster.

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Notice is hereby given that licenses for theatres, auctioneers and hawkers and pedlars will expire 31st December, 1904. Applications for licenses of this character for 1905 should be made at the office of the Board of Police on or before Saturday, December 24, 1904.

By order of Board of Police,
JOSEPH SMITH,
Clerk of Board.

BOSTON & MAINE R. R.

Corrected to October 10, 1904. Trains leave Merrimack Street Depot, Lowell, as follows:

For Boston, 5.43, 6.22, x6.45, 7.40, *6.50, *9.22, 11.00 a. m.; 1.40, 4.25, x6.44 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.45 a. m.

Trains leave Middlesex Street Station, Lowell, as follows:

For Boston, 5.46, 6.28, *6.33, x6.49, w6.50, 7.01, 7.24, 7.31, *7.43, 7.52, w*8.00, *8.57, w9.25, *9.33, w10.50, 11.05, *11.43 a. m.; w12.05, 12.14, w12.50, 1.44, *1.56, w2.30, w*3.10, *3.47, w3.55, 4.28, w5.06, 5.22, x5.49, w*6.15, *6.12, w7.00, 7.29, 9.30 p. m. SUNDAYS 6.39, 7.24, w8.15, 8.46, 9.20 a. m.; w12.10, 2.25, w3.55, w5.32, 6.29, w8.03 p. m.

For Lawrence, 6.28, w6.50, z7.31, w8.30, w9.25, w10.50 a. m.; w12.05, 1.28, w2.30, w3.55, w5.06, w6.16, w7.00, w9.30, w11.25 p. m. SUNDAYS, w8.15 a. m.; w12.10, w5.32 p. m.

For Salem, Mass., 7.31 a. m.; w12.05, 1.28, a2.30, a3.55, w5.06, 5.28 p. m.

For Haverhill, 6.28, 6.50, z7.31, 8.30, 9.25, 10.50 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, w3.55, w5.06, 6.15, 7.00, 9.30, 11.25 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.15, a. m.; 12.10, 5.32 p. m.

For Newburyport, Amesbury and Portsmouth, 6.28 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, 3.55, 6.15 p. m.

For Exeter and Dover, 6.28, z7.31, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, 3.55, 5.06 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.32 p. m.

For Rochester and Alton Bay, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 3.55 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.32 p. m.

For Somersworth, N. H., Saco, Old Orchard and Portland, 6.28, z7.31, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 3.55 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.32 p. m.

For Augusta, Bath, Waterville, 6.28, 8.30, a. m.; 12.05, 5.06 p. m.; SUNDAYS, 5.32 p. m.

For Lewiston, 6.28, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 5.06, p. m.

For Rockland, 8.30 a. m., 12.05 p. m.

For Skowhegan, 8.30 a. m.

For Bangor and Belfast, 6.28, 8.30 a. m.; 5.06 p. m. SUNDAYS 5.32 p. m.

For St. John, N. B., Halifax, N. S., 6.28 a. m.; 5.06 p. m. (5.06 does not run Saturdays.) SUNDAYS, 5.32 p. m.

For Eastport and St. John (via steamer from Portland) on Monday at 12.05 p. m.

For Castine, Deer Isle, Sedgewick, Bar Harbor, Jonesport, Machiasport (via steamer Frank Jones from Portland), Tuesday and Friday at 5.06 p. m.

Last trip of season, October 28, 1904.

For Woburn, 6.28, 7.01, *7.48, 11.05 a. m.; 1.44, 4.28 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.48 a. m.; 2.25, 5.29 p. m.

For Ayer Junction, Stations on W. N. & P. and Fitchburg Divisions, 7.07, 11.55 a. m.; 5.01 and 5.42 p. m. SUNDAYS, 2.15 p. m.

For Stations on W. N. & P. Division, Nashua to Portland, Me., 9.03 a. m. (3.40 p. m. to Rochester only.)

For Amherst, Milford and Wilton, 9.03 a. m.; 1.00, 3.40, 5.39 p. m. SUNDAYS, 2 p. m.

For Greenfield, Peterboro, Bennington, Hillsboro and Keene, 9.03 a. m.; 3.40 p. m. SUNDAYS to Hillsboro 2 p. m.

For Nashua, Manchester and Concord, 7.30, 9.03, 8.39, *10.39 a. m.; *12.09, 1.00, *1.39, 3.40, *5.39, 6.27, *8.10, *9.10 p. m. SUNDAYS, 10.02, 10.39 a. m.; 12.09, 2.00, 6.02, *8.10, *9.10 p. m.

For Franklin, Lebanon, White River Junction, 7.30, *9.39 a. m.; *12.09, *1.39, (to Franklin only), 5.39, *b8.10 p. m.

For Warner, Bradford, Sunapee, Newport, (N. H.), Claremont and Claremont Junction, 7.30 a. m.; 1.39 p. m.

For Stations on White Mt. Division, 9.39, *10.39 a. m.; 1.39 p. m. (5.39 p. m. to Plymouth); *b9.10 p. m.

For St. Johnsbury and Lyndonville, via Wells River, *10.39 a. m.; *1.39, *q9.10 p. m.

For Montpelier, Essex Junction, Burlington, St. Albans, St. Johns and Montreal via Central Vermont Line, *9.39 a. m.; *12.09, *b9.10 p. m.

QUEBEC EXPRESS, via Plymouth and Sherbrooke, *10.39 a. m.; *9.10 p. m. (daily except Saturdays.)

References:
a Via Wakefield Junction.
* Express. b Daily.
q Wednesdays and Saturdays only.
w Via Western Division.
x Via Bedford. z Via Wilmington Junc.

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STRICTLY FRESH EGGS, can be purchased every day of Mrs. C. S. Douglas, 12 Bertram st., Highlands.

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CHRISTMAS SPECIAL PRESENTS—A good doll carriage or a handsome doll given away with a pound of Tea or two pounds of Coffee. Calendars given to customers. Dickson's Tea Store, 63 Merrimack st.

WILL THE PERSON who made a mistake in money call at 25 Cross st., Mrs. D. Lyons, and identify it. Can have same by paying for this adv.

GENTLEMEN'S CLOTHES cleaned and pressed, rates reasonable, special prices to weekly customers. Stanislus Blondin, 225 Cumberland Road.

THE SUN IN BOSTON—The Sun is on sale every day at both news-stands of the Union Station in Boston. Don't forget this when taking your train for Lowell.

MONEY TO LOAN

MONEY LOANED salaried people, retail merchants, teamsters and others, without security, easy payments, offices in 50 leading cities. Tolman, room 48, Hildreth Building. 45 Merrimack st.

MONEY LOANED—Our plan of loaning money on salaries is the most liberal to be found anywhere, and is especially appreciated by Teachers, Clerks, Salesmen and Business workers. Easy weekly payments. All transactions confidential. Massachusetts Loan Company, 13 Merrimack Sq., 16 Prescott street, Room 2.

MONEY ON CREDIT without security, boarding houses, teamsters, salaried loans a specialty. Best terms obtainable, liberal discount for prompt payments, commission paid. Merrimack Loan Co., 25 Associate Building.

DON'T BE SHORT—Plenty of money to loan to salaried people, merchants, boarding house keepers, teamsters, etc. Easy weekly payments, lowest rates in the city. Confidential; no publicity; no delay. Special inducements for quick payments. Private office. U. S. Loan Co., 90 Prescott st., room 5, Lowell, Mass.

MONEY TO LOAN on furniture, pianos and all personal property. Private office. (Strictly confidential.) Room 5, Swan building, 26 Central street.

MONEY TO LOAN at short notice on furniture, pianos, diamonds, etc. Leases paid off and more money advanced. All business strictly confidential. Address W. E. Leinhas, room 9, Barristers' Hall.

TO LET

TO LET—1 3-room tenement. Inquire at 51 Chestnut st.

TO LET—Two furnished rooms for light housekeeping with gas, bath and heat, use of telephone. Apply Weston House, 200 Appleton st.

TO LET—A good tenement at a low rent at 441 Moody street, handy to mills and business, everything separate.

TO LET—Tenement of six rooms, newly built with bath and pantry, 36 Crosby st.

TO LET—Pleasant tenements in Centralville $4.50 per month and upward. T. H. Elliott, 64 Central st.

TO LET—Boarding house of 15 rooms Inquire of John Whitty, 152 Market st.

TO LET—Cottage of seven rooms, bath, hot and cold water. Keys at 20 B st.

TO LET—Convenient locality 10-room house, furnace heat, all improvements, a pleasant street, could let rooms. Apply Charles M. Erskine, room 32, Hildreth Building.

TO LET—Nice tenement 7 rooms, bath, hot and cold water, thorough order in good locality. Apply to Chas. M. Erskine, room 32, Hildreth building.

TO LET—A cottage house of 7 rooms, hot and cold water and bath, furnace, 102 Bowers st., also tenement of six rooms 78 Mt. Vernon st., equipped same as cottage. Inquire at 96 Bowers st.

TO LET—Nice tenement of five rooms with toilet. Newly painted and papered. 836 Fletcher st.

TO LET—12 room house near Shaw Stocking Co., fine location for boarders, rent reasonable. Apply to H. A. Wright, 10 Barristers' Hall.

TO LET—Several 5-room flats near the mills, everything new, rent reasonable. Apply to H. A. Wright, 10 Barristers Hall.

TO LET—At 126 Jewett st. a pleasant tenement with large rooms and garden with fruit trees.

TO LET—Fine modern residence, 60 Sheldon street. Eight rooms, hot and cold water, cemented cellar floor and all latest improvements. Apply M. O'Donnell, St. James Hotel.

TO LET—Very convenient front and side room, single or otherwise, modern conveniences, reasonable to respectable parties 271 Gorham st. opp. Court House.

TO LET—A finely appointed flat, 239 Liberty st. Everything new, large rooms, open plumbing, steam heat. On line of street cars. Inquire at 241 Liberty st.

TO LET—6 beautiful flats, with bath room and hot and cold water in the New Nolan Block at the junction of Central and Chapel sts. Everything in first class order, for further particulars inquire of John Nolan, 844 Central st.

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Hotel for sale, Bridgeport, Conn.; city eighty thousand; lease three years; thirty rooms, parlor and bar-room; steam heat, electric light and gas. Rent one hundred and thirty. New license price four thousand dollars. Address Hugh Mackinnon, Hotel Emerson, Bridgeport, Conn.

FOR SALE—On Rogers street, Belvidere, two story, ten room house with bath and pantry and seven thousand feet of land all fenced in. Smith & Cavanaugh, Donovan building, Central st.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Collie puppies, sable and white, all ages. Drop a postal for what you want. Thistle Kennels, Box 466, City.

FOR SALE—Handsome young canaries, warranted good singers, price $2 each at 57 Tyler st.

FOR SALE—Here is a chance, 22 room lodging house, only $200. Greene, 98 Central st.

FOR SALE—Tobacco store, A1 location. If taken this week, only $125. Greene, 98 Central st.

FOR SALE—Pool room and cigar store for sale. Apply Room 5, Five Cent Savings Bank building, 107 Merrimack st.

FOR SALE—A good paying corporation boarding house, forty good steady boarders, will be sold cheap. Address J., this office.

FOR SALE—Fine singing canaries for sale at 155 West Sixth st.

FOR SALE AT A GREAT BARGAIN—Owing to a change in plan, a physician desires to sell a Waverly electric stanhope. Tires, running gear and body in first class condition; batteries require cleaning. Address Electro, this office.

FOR SALE—Nice square piano for sale cheap. 275 Westford st.

FOR SALE—A good black horse, cheap, 90 Third st.

UPRIGHT PIANO FOR SALE—Leaving city, must sell at once, elegant upright cabinet grand piano, beautiful mahogany case, without mar or blemish, practically new, has been used for a few months only, very sweet tone, light action, fully warranted by prominent maker, and must be seen to be appreciated; cost $400. Will sell for $175 to quick cash buyer as must be sold at once. Address Beckwith, care Lowell Sun.

FOR SALE—A covered pung, side doors, glass front, in first class condition, suitable for baker or milkman. Call at Roscoe's paint shop, Willie st.

LEGAL TRADING STAMPS—Special. We give 150 with one pound of our 70c tea; 100 with our 60c tea; 80 with our 50c tea; 30 with our 35c coffee; 120 with one pound Baking Powder at 50c; 30 with vanilla extracts, etc., 25c. The Elwood Tea Co., Junction of Gorham and Thorndike sts.

P. COGGER, the truckman sells all kinds of wood at a low price. $1 extra for sawing. 483 Riverside st. Tel. Con.

MISCELLANEOUS

MISS UPHAM, business medium can be consulted on all affairs of life. 35 Merrimack st., Room 14.

WHITE SEWING MACHINE CO.—Before buying an Xmas present call and see our special rotary machine, it is the lightest and fastest running machine in the market, second hand machines for sale, lock and chain stitch. 376 Bridge st.

WANTED—"Science and Health" by Mrs. Eddy. Editions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5. Address X Q Z 5, Sun office.

MRS. CLARA ADAMS, clairvoyant and card reader and ladies' employment office, 355 Gorham street, opposite Court house.

THE WONDERFUL new drink Gloria gives health and youthful vigor. Boyle Bros. Agents. Telephone.

REAL ESTATE MEN, property owners, etc. Will paper your room, furnishing gold paper and border to match, and hanging same in a first class manner for $2 per room. Special prices quoted on more than one room. Painting, whitewashing, etc., at correspondingly low prices. D. Baker & Co., 303 Middlesex st.

WE HAVE ALL the Fall Blocks of Hats and are prepared to supply the gentlemen of this city. Stiff hats cleaned free at Delorme's, 261 Middlesex st. The practical hatter.

LADIES—Dr. LaFranco's Compound gives positive relief; powerful combination used by 200,000 women. Price 35 cents; druggists or by mail. Address LaFranco & Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

LIMBURG—Chimney expert; chimneys swept and repaired. Residence 1128 Bridge street. Telephone.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Wrist bag on Haverhill car for Lawrence, Monday; left Haverhill at 2.30. Finder will receive liberal reward by leaving same at Telegram Office, Lawrence, Mass.

LOST—A gent's seal skin glove between Branch st. Engine House and voting Booth in Branch st. Finder will be rewarded by leaving at Highland Laundry.

LOST—A pocketbook yesterday somewhere between Mercier Hotel Lakeview or at Willow Dale entrance. Finder will be rewarded by leaving at Sun Office.

LOST—A string of gold beads, Tuesday afternoon. Reward offered at 218 Pawtucket st.

FOUND—A bank book. Inquire of M. H. Kelly, 137 Willie st.

LOST—A ten dollar bill in Pollard's store, Sat., Dec. 10th. Reward at 97 Durant st.

LOST—On Tuesday, Dec. 13, between Congress Ave., and voting Booth on Lincoln st, an ebony cane with silver handle, with owner's name. Please leave at 23 Congress Ave. and get reward. A. G. Swan.

LOST—Sum of money on Saturday, Dec. 10, between Middlesex and Chapel sts. Finder will be rewarded by returning same to 10 Chapel st.

LOST—Nov. 26, a pair of brown rosary beads with large medal attached. Return to 49 Bartlett st.

LOST—Wednesday evening, between Prescott hall and Central st. a large red agate stone brooch. Suitable reward paid on return to Carter & Sherburne's drug store.

SITUATIONS WANTED

SITUATION WANTED—By a Swede girl to do general housework. Call at 18 Manchester st.

WANTED—To do washing by day or week. Address, 206, Rear 4 Middlesex st.

WANTED—A situation by a thoroughly experienced stenographer and bookkeeper. Would make herself generally useful in an office. Good references. Address C. J., Sun Office.

MIDDLE AGED LADY would like to take care of two children. Address L., Sun Office.

WANTED—Nursing by an experienced hospital nurse, or would care for an invalid. Rates very reasonable. Inquire 708 Central street.

BUSINESS CHANCES

I HAVE A FEW hundred dollars to invest in a paying business where services are required for a fair salary. State nature of business. Address B., Sun Office.

WEAVER ELECTED

Common Council Concurred With Aldermen

FARNHAM ALSO ELECTED IM LOWER BRANCH

Mayor's Veto of Storm Guard Order Sustained

The common council met at 9 o'clock last evening at City hall and amid a lot of disgusting horse play transacted a few items of business, electing Frank L. Weaver to the water board in concurrence, electing Frederick J. Farnham superintendent of streets in nonconcurrence and sustaining the mayor's veto of the joint order for $500 for storm guards on East Merrimack street.

There were 21 members present when President Braden called to order, and one of them must have stopped in somewhere on the way to the hall.

As soon as the roll had been called a motion was made to ballot for a member of the water board and was defeated. Councilman Hayes moved that the water board matter be laid on the table for two weeks. This also was defeated. Then Councilman Dodge severely criticised the other members for their school-boy play and his motion to ballot was carried. Moses Wyman received 8, Frank L. Weaver 10 and four scattering.

Councilman Donohue moved that another ballot be taken and after several minutes of horse play the ballot was taken and Frank L. Weaver received 16, Moses Wyman 6 and one scattering, and Mr. Weaver was declared elected.

The mayor's veto of $500 for storm guards on the East Merrimack street bridge was read and sustained by an almost unanimous vote.

It was then voted to proceed to ballot for a superintendent of streets for the unexpired term and Frederick W. Farnham received 10, Edward H. Simpson 5, Daniel W. Bugbee 7 and two scattering. After considerable "rough house" a second ballot was taken and Mr. Farnham received 12 votes, necessary for a choice, and was declared elected on the part of the common council.

Councilman Dodge then suggested that "this farce" had gone far enough and his motion to adjourn was declared carried with everyone talking.

The appropriations committee held a conference at city hall last evening and after discussing the piecing-out of appropriations adjourned to next Wednesday evening.

COUNCILMAN-ELECT HONORED.

The Knights of Sherwood last night tendered a reception to the new councilman, Leon Marcotte. Refreshments were served and a musical program was carried out.

RUSSIA'S PLANS

Extensive Reforms Will Be Made

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 15.—There is no longer any doubt that the government intends to commit itself to very extensive reforms as the result of the liberal agitation begun when Prince Sviatopolk-Mirsky made his advent as minister of the interior. The zemstvos demands for a direct representative body to make the laws of the nation will not be granted, but some medium in the form of a representative consultative body, which can voice the wishes of the people direct to the sovereign, now seems the probable outcome. An entirely new law for the liberalization of the press also is apparently certain.

The plan for a consultation body first proposed by the late Prince Vasilchikoff twenty years ago in connection with the demand for a land parliament, forms the basis of the scheme at present under consideration. Prince Vasilchikoff contended that nine-tenths of the population of Russia was totally unprepared to exercise political rights, thus precluding the possibility of a general franchise. He proposed a zemskaya douma of land council, composed of zemstvo representatives, endowed with a consultative voice in the government. While nothing has been absolutely decided, Minister of the Interior Sviatopolk-Mirsky is said to favor this plan. In fact, it is his desire that Prince Vasilchikoff's son, who has recently published his father's memoirs, shall succeed him in the event that complete failure of his health compels him to retire.

FOR CHRISTMAS

A Piano

THE PLACE

LORD & CO.

Our store is filled with Piano Bargains. Great selection here. Easy terms and lowest prices in Lowell.

318 Merrimack St.

THRONG WAITED

Expected Duel Did Not Take Place

COL. GREENE FAILED TO MAKE GOOD

Second "Boston Massacre" Was Avoided

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—An excited throng, numbering several thousand people, crowded State street yesterday afternoon and waited for hours for the expected duel between Thomas W. Lawson of Boston and Colonel Greene of New York.

Lawson received a telegram in the morning stating that Greene would reach Lawson's office at 3.30 p. m. Lawson immediately replied that his office was for other purposes, but that he would meet the colonel "in front of the Old State House on State street." This was the scene of the Crispus massacre, and Lawson's hint was that there would be a second massacre if Greene came. Grene did not come and the thousands were disappointed.

The duel had been expected for 24 hours. In half page advertisements Colonel Greene had announced that he would come to Boston Tuesday to denounce Lawson and do all sorts of things to him.

He did not come Tuesday, and then it was expected he would come yesterday. It looked as if he would really come when the following telegram was received by Lawson:

"Leave for Boston on 10 a. m. train from New York. Will be in at your State street office at 3.30 p. m.

(Signed) "W. C. GREENE."

Promptly Lawson wired the following reply addressed to Greene, "on board 10 a. m. train, New York for Boston:"

"Your wire that you will be at my State street office at 3.30 p. m. today received. As you seem anxious to do your business out in public, and as my office is for other purposes than your loud mouthings, I will meet you at the time named in State street in front of the Old State House, and as I have had sufficient of your loud blattings, I hereby notify you I will do all the denouncing that will be done.

(Signed)

"THOMAS W. LAWSON."

Long before the specified hour the prospective battlefield assumed a "busy" appearance.

From Washington, State and Devonshire streets poured streams of humanity, and as if bound to a common cause, the incoming throngs centered at the State street end of the Old State House.

Lawson's message had found a quick response. At 3.30 o'clock, the time named for the meeting of the financial monarchs, the area was congested with people awaiting an outcome of the fiancial feud between Mr. Lawson and "Colonel Bill".

All had read the announcement that the man of guns and the hero of many battles was due.

POLICE ON THE SCENE.

"Do not allow murder to be committed here," was the message flashed from a nearby brokerage office to police headquarters, and forthwith a detail of police hastened to the affected district.

Stern-faced coppers took their positions, business men, clerks and store boys continued to argue about space, but above all arose the cry:

"Where is Colonel Bill Greene?"

Ten minutes after the specified time there came the heavy clatter of wheels and the barge of a transfer company dashed into the square.

"Hurrah for Colonel Bill. He's made good at last," yelled a bewhiskered individual who held a position on the corner of Devonshire and State streets.

From the vehicle descended two women.

"Nothing doing," came the disgusted chorus.

All eyes centered on that part of the Old State House which fronts on State street, and several suspicious looking individuals who ventured in that vicinity found themselves in trouble.

A most unlucky member of the day was a tall, stalwart man who possessed a flowing black moustache.

"There he is," went up the cry when he wonderingly turned the corner of Devonshire street.

Spectators fell back, burly bluecoats gripped their clubs and instantly the new arrival heard:

"Wait a minute, Colonel Greene. Mr. Lawson has not arrived yet," said a bystander.

"Not Colonel Greene, but Sam Pike of Kaintuck, and I'm going to the north station, suh," was the stranger's response.

He was allowed to disappear.

TRAFFIC SUSPENDED.

For over half an hour traffic was generally suspended. Street cars and drays alike found progress a difficult undertaking and drivers of the latter contentedly awaited the result, "pocketed" by the crowd on both sides.

But the crowd waited in vain. Calm and amused, Lawson watched the scene from a window in the building at 31 State street, but Colonel Greene did not arrive.

He said to a reporter: "Colonel Greene would have found me ready for either peace or war. I received the New York despatch in good faith and surely intended to meet him at the Old State House.

"Then at the last moment I learned that instead of being en route for Boston, Colonel Greene had not left his New York office. Of course there was then no necessity for my presence. The message may have been a fake, but that point will be investigated."

DIVORCE GRANTED

AGED LEOMINSTER COUPLE UNABLE TO AGREE.

WORCESTER, Dec. 15.—Judge Richardson, in the superior court yesterday granted a divorce to Marie H. Cowan of Leominster, aged 63, from her husband, Thomas B. Cowan, aged 69, for desertion. Mrs. Cowan testified that they were married in 1900, but lived together less than a year. She thought he was interested in a woman who used to be his housekeeper. It was the woman's fourth experiment in matrimony.

AMESBURY LOST

Natick Defeated Them in Fast Game

NATICK, Dec. 15.—The Natick team signalized its debut under the new local management last evening by defeating Amesbury, 50 to 31. From the start the locals set a pace which the visitors could not match, and only in the last period did the latter manage to make much headway. The game was fast in this period and abounded in clever floor work by the locals and difficult baskets by both.

Hough was everywhere and threw some hard baskets. Ferrat's blocking was a feature, and Mayhem made one phenomenal basket from the further end of the court. Healey's floor work and basket shooting, and the basket shooting of Marchal in the last period were clever. The summary:

NATICK	AMESBURY
Ferrat rf	lb Healey
Fogarty lc	rb Donnelly
Mulliner c	c Pemino
Hough rb	lf Henchell
	lf Marchal
Mayhem lb	rf Zanger

Score, Natick 50, Amesbury 31. Goals from floor, Hough 13, Marchal 5, Fogarty 4, Zanger 4, Mayhem 3, Healey 3, Ferrat 2, Mulliner 2, Henchell 2, Donnelly. Goals from fouls, Natick 2, Amesbry. Referee, Connors, Timer, A. E. Hoey. Time, three 15m periods. Attendance, 500.

LOWELL HIGH WON.

Lowell high school basketball team defeated Stoneham high team last night in the high school annex by a score of 36 to 21. The game at the end of the first period was 18 to 3 in favor of Lowell high. In the second period Stoneham made a good rally, the playing of Park at center being excellent. Richards and Farley led in basket throwing for Lowell. The summary:

LOWELL H. S.	STONEHAM H. S.
Scribner rf	lb Merryfield
Richards lf	rb Hovey
Farley c	c Park
Lew rb	lf Ervin
Field lb	rf Torbett

Score, Lowell High school 36, Stoneham high school 21. Goals, Richards 3, Park 8, Farley 5, Scribner 2, Field 2, Hovey, Merryfield. Point on foul, Stoneham. Umpire, Bixby. Referee, Connors. Timers, Gerry and Welch. Time, two 20m periods.

Natick at the armory tonight.

Harry Hough will play the entire three periods this evening and the Natick team intends to put up its strongest aggregation against Lowell.

Amesbury promises to be one of the best towns in the league. The people like the game there, having seen it played for several years by amateurs and besides Amesbury will be a great rival to Haverhill and Newburyport especially the latter place.

Manager Gray has made a deal for Associate hall and games will be played there beginning next Tuesday evening. The hall was leased to Manager Gray on condition that steps would be taken to prevent spitting on the floor. It is the hope of Manager Gray that patrons of the game will respect this request of the management in order that conditions of the lease may not be violated. As the hall is centrally located it is expected that the attendance at the games will show a great increase over what has been the patronage at the armory.

Vermont Man'f'g Co.'s Butterine.

Shows the finest quality of Butterine in the world, is in business again, their Butterine is way ahead of Western goods, fresh, sweet, tastes like fresh made June butter, 12 to 15c lb. Western Butterine 10 to 12c lb. Teas, best in Lowell at half price. Try our Irish tea. FLYNN'S MARKET, 157 Gorham st., Lowell, Mass.

AFTER ELECTION

Mayor Elect Casey Kept Busy Yesterday

POWER OF NEW MAYOR DISCUSSED

He May Use Effective Power of Veto

Hon. James B. Casey was the busiest man in Lowell, yesterday. Everywhere he went he was held up by congratulating friends while at his headquarters messages of congratulations and invitations poured in by mail, telephone and telegraph. As he walked along the street people pointed him out, turned around and looked after him, hats were doffed to him and those who knew him personally stopped him at every few feet of his way. Later in the afternoon when he had an hour to spare he was the guest of the Bohemian club and was entertained at an informal dinner. In the evening he kept a number of engagements and went home shortly before midnight. Between now and the first of the year, Mr. Casey will take a much needed rest.

The situation at City Hall is by no means a new one. In the past it has been frequently the case of mayor and aldermen being of opposite political faiths.

The republicans control both branches of the city council and already James Gilbert Hill, chairman of the republican city committee is out for the position of city solicitor, and the position of city solicitor calls for a lawyer and an experienced one, rather than a politician. It is probable that a number of candidates will appear for the position now being held by Supt. Farnham, but with the fine showing made by Mr. Farnham in the short time he has been in office it is probable that he will not be disturbed. He is a most efficient official.

The new mayor will have few appointments to make but he will have the power of veto which in the hands of a careful executive may be used to good advantage of the taxpayer.

TO FIGHT TUBERCULOSIS

PHYSICIANS HAVE ORGANIZED A SOCIETY.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—At a meeting of physicians held here, preliminary steps have been taken for the organization of the Illinois society for the prevention of tuberculosis. The plan is to concentrate the efforts of the state board of health, the Illinois mdical society, and the committee on tuberculosis of the Visiting Nurses' association of Chicago.

The first work of the society will be to try to secure a $250,000 appropriation for a state sanitarium, where researches can be conducted and consumptives treated. The next step will be to establish branches. Particular attention will be devoted to out of door camps.

ROBBED A CAR

TWO MEN UNDER ARREST IN SAN BERNARDINO.

SAN BERNARDINO, Cal., Dec. 15.—Sidney Jarvis and Arthur Swindell, have been arrested near San Francisco and brought here charged with robbing the express car of the Santa Fe westbound train on the night of December 4, and killing expressman Evan O. Roberts. Jarvis and Swindell were in the employ of F. J. Mackey, an English millionaire horseman and were employed at Chicago to come west with a car of horses.

SAVED BY BABY

Arlington Family Had Narrow Escape

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—The beautiful home of Thomas H. Connolly at 25 Elmore street, Arlington Heights, was badly damaged by fire, which broke out shortly before midnight.

Mr. Connolly was awakened by his baby's coughing from smoke, and found the house in flames. He aroused his wife and the rest of his children, and they succeeded in reaching the street in safety. An alarm was turned in from box 56, but as the house is situated on the top of one of Arlington's highest hills, the apparatus had difficulty in reaching the scene.

Mr. Connolly's furniture was destroyed and the house was damaged to the extent of several thousand dollars, most of the damage being on the two upper stories.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

Clan Grant held its annual meeting last evening and elected officers for the ensuing year. The officers are as follows: Past chief, B. D. Dobson, Alexander Ray; tanist, James Anderson; chaplain, James Dempster; corresponding secretary, J. Tait; financial secretary, D. A. McFadgen; treasurer, Robert Campbell; senior henchman, Robert Gaudie; junior henchman, Andrew Brown; seneschal, John McAdam; warden, James Patterson; physician, W. H. Gallagher.

The regular meeting of Rochambeau Council, R. A., was held last night and officers elected for the ensuing year. The officers chosen were as follows:

Homer L. P. Turcotte, regent; Ed. H. Boulanger, vice regent; J. J. B. Lebrun, orator; Majorique J. Cossette, past regent; David A. Parthenais, collector, reelected; George E. Mongeau, treasurer, reelected; Alberic Branchaud, chaplain; Albert Paquin, guide; A. Palardy, warden; T. Bourque, sentry; Dr. George E. Caisse, trustee for term of three years; David A. Parthenais, trustee of hospital bed association, for term of three years.

A social meeting, with supper and cigars, was enjoyed after business had been attended to.

Greenhalge council, No. 100, Loyal association, has elected the following officers: Alfred W. Wilking, councilor; A. H. Stanley, vice-councilor; Geo. A. Roper, orator; Geo. S. Fenderson, past councilor; F. X. A. Hurlubise, recorder; W. F. Sanborn, collector; Geo. E. King, treasurer; Ralph W. Emerson, chaplain; Manfred S. Gulline, marshal; Arthur J. French, guardian; Ervin E. Smith, sentinel; A. W. David, trustee for three years. John S. Chandler representative to the state convention, John Hughes alternate.

TRAIN WRECKED

Fireman Killed and Engineer Injured

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Fast mail train No. 11 east-bound on the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad, was wrecked today two miles west of Bristol, Ill. Oscar Johnson, fireman, was killed and Engineer John Cowdrey was probably fatally injured.

The train was composed of mail coaches and carried no passengers. The mail clerks escaped injury.

LECTURE AND RECITAL.

Mr. William Burton Robinson, of Boston, a teacher of voice and basso, gave a lecture and recital in Room 31, Swan building, last night, which was well attended by lovers of music.

All over the World you will find Beecham's Pills famous because of their good works. People of all classes and nations have for over fifty years kept their Livers right and Digestion good by using

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Sold Everywhere. In boxes 10c. and 25c.

Christmas Presents

We have them in great variety for man and child at

Lafleur's Hardware Store

11 East Merr'k St.

When making a Christmas present give a gift that is practical, such as a pair of skates or a sled for the children. We have goods suitable to old and young and our prices are always the lowest. If you are thinking of making a Christmas present and do not know what you want, just call at our store and you can surely find what you want. Remember the place,

11 East Merr'k St.

PAINTS AND HARDWARE

Napoleon Lafleur, PROPRIETOR

The People's Bargain Store.

SWITCH

Off Central Street and up Middle, No. 40, and get pure Witch Hazel and Glycerine for those chapped hands, all mixed—One Pint 25c

Talbot's

40 Middle Street

SPECIAL

Five Horses at Keyes' Commission Rooms, Saturday, at 11 o'clock

HANDSOME BAY HORSE, "YANKEE LUCK, WEIGHS 1075 POUNDS, MARK OF 2.50½, TRIAL 10½. HE IS A VERY NICE FAMILY HORSE, IS ABSOLUTELY FEARLESS, AND PERFECTLY BROKEN TO ALL CITY OBJECTS, IS AN EXCEEDINGLY GOOD DRIVER, AND ALL HORSEMEN KNOW HE IS A BORN TROTTER, SAFE TO SPEED AT ANY TIME WITHOUT BOOTS; ALSO A LIGHT MARK CROSS HARNESS, COONSKIN ROBE. HANDSOME BAY MARE 8 YEARS OLD, WEIGHS 950 POUNDS, DRIVES TO AN OPEN BRIDLE, PERFECTLY FEARLESS, A NATURAL ROADSTER, 10 MILES AN HOUR AND CAN STEP A 2.40 GAIT. DARK BAY MARE, 6 YEARS OLD, WEIGHS 1250 POUNDS, SOUND, GOOD RELIABLE BUSINESS HORSE. GREY MARE 7 YEARS OLD, 1075 POUNDS, SOUND AND KIND AND A FINE BUSINESS HORSE. CHESTNUT HORSE 7 YEARS OLD, WEIGHS 1025 POUNDS, SOUND AND KIND, NOT AFRAID OF AUTOMOBILES, ELECTRIC, STEAM CARS, OR ANY CITY OBJECT.

SPECIAL SALE OF FURNITURE AT KEYES, COMMISSION ROOMS

SATURDAY, AT 2.30 O'CLOCK

The balance of the Furniture Stock will be sold. This stock was so large we could not exhibit it all at the last sale. It consists of Iron Beds, Dressers, 2 very nice Rugs 9 by 12, Rockers, Matting, etc. Goods will be on exhibition Friday. Rooms open Friday evening.

Only 3 More Days

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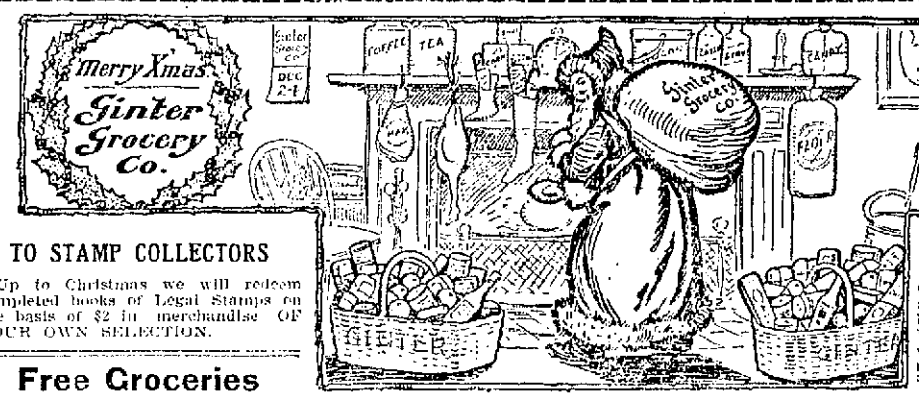

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Up to Christmas we will redeem completed books of Legal Stamps on the basis of $2 in merchandise OF YOUR OWN SELECTION.

Free Groceries

With Our Christmas Basket Sale.

A $1 basket brimming over with value. We give you free six items amounting to 60c and make you a total saving of $1.10. What better gift for a needy friend could you purchase?

	Usual Price	Sale Price
2 lbs. Finest Gran. Sugar,	12	Free
2 lbs. Finest Rolled Oats,	.10	Free
½ pk. Maine Hebron Potatoes	.18	Free
3 Cal. Navel Oranges	.10	Free
2 4-oz. pkg. Egg-O-See	Free	Free
1 Tin Enameline Stove Polish	Free	Free
1 bot. Defender Vanilla Extract	.15	.10
1 lb. "Golden Rose" M. & J. Coffee	.35	.22
1 lb. "Golden Rose" Formosa Oolong Tea	.38	.20
1 pkg. Sage Seasoning	.10	.06
1 pkg. Best Corn Starch	.10	.07
2 lbs. Good Carolina Rice	.15	.10
¼-lb. pkg. Filbered Cocoanut	.12	.07
1-lb. pkg. Eagle Thistle Baking Soda	.09	.06
1 lb. Fresh Baked Ginger Snaps	.09	.07
1 Serviceable Market Basket	.08	.05
ALL FOR $1.00	$2.11	$1.00

MEAT DEPARTMENT

Fancy Spring Lamb (short legs) 13c lb.
Best Lamb Chops 15c lb.
Atwood's Hamburger Steak 2 lbs. 15c
Fancy Fresh Rib Roast Beef 10c lb.
Fresh Pork Loins 11c lb.
Fresh Killed Chickens 18c lb.
Fresh Killed Fowls 16c lb.
Full line of Veal, Steaks, German Goods, etc.

Eight Day Christmas Grocery Sale

We've made ideal preparation for our great Christmas sale. Our store is filled with just those things that the most modest purse will allow and the most critical judgment commend. High qualities and little prices, carrying so much saving, will make Christmas a merrier one for you than ever before.

STAMP SPECIALS

LOWEST PRICES QUOTED ANYWHERE WITH LIBERAL QUANTITIES LEGAL OR GREEN STAMPS.

$2 IN STAMPS (20) with 2 cans baby Maine Corn, can 15 CENTS
$1 IN STAMPS (10) with 5 lbs. Rolled Oats 15 CENTS
$1 in STAMPS (10) with ½ peck fine hand-picked York State Pea Beans 30 CENTS
$1 IN STAMPS (10) with 1-lb. jar finest pure Fruit Preserves, jar 15 CENTS
$3 IN STAMPS (30) with 5 lbs. of best rib-cut Pork, 55 CENTS
$1 IN STAMPS (10) with 1 pkg. of Postum Cereal Coffee, pkg. 12 CENTS
$1 IN STAMPS (10) with 2 cans "Golden Rose" Soups, any kind, 2 cans 16 CENTS
$2 IN STAMPS (20) with 2 pkgs. of Corn Starch, pkg. 7 CENTS
$2 IN STAMPS (20) with 2 cans Webster brand whole fruit Tomatoes, can 10 CENTS
$1 IN STAMPS (10) with 1-lb. of Fig-bar Crackers, new goods, lb. 12 CENTS
$1 IN STAMPS (10) with 1 pkg. of F. & L. Macaroni, pkg. 10 CENTS
$2 IN STAMPS (20) with 1 jar of Liebig's Beef Extract, jar 25 CENTS
$2 IN STAMPS (20) with 1-lb. pkg. Black Pepper, Ginger or Mustard, lb. 25 CENTS
$2 IN STAMPS (20) with 1-lb. can Ginter's "Golden Rose" Cocoa, can 35 CENTS

CHRISTMAS TURKEYS

Just a few lines to tell you about our Christmas Turkeys. We've got a large shipment of young, plump and fresh-killed Turkeys on the way from old Vermont. If economy is an object, you will watch out for our announcement next week.

FLOUR.

"Golden Rose" Brand. Price reduced to Bbl., $6.69; Bag, 89c

BUTTER.

"Golden Rose", finest Vermont Butter, lb. 26c
Finest Elgin Butter, "Locust Valley" Brand, lb. 22c

EGGS.

"Eastern" Brand. Fresh laid, doz. 23c
"Pine Grove" Brand; fancy, selected stock, doz. 33c

COFFEE.

"Golden Rose" Brand, Mocha and Java 5 lbs. $1.00; lb. 22c
"Pride of Aden," super-fine Mocha and Java, (3 for 1 stamps), lb. 25c

TEA.

"Golden Rose" Brand. All kinds, (3 for 1 stamps) 3 lbs. $1.00; lb. 35c
"Imperial Garden" Brand Teas, lb. 45c (75 Stamps with each 2 lbs.)

CHRISTMAS SPECIALS.

Christmas Broken Candy of Conucopia Mixture, 2 lbs. 35c
Chocolate and Bonbon Mixture, freshest and purest made, lb. 20c and 30c
High-Class French Mixtures lb 18c or 21c
Loose Cal. Raisins, lb. 6c, 8c and 10c
Seeded Raisins lb pkg. 8c and 10c
New Washed Currants, lb. pkg. 8c
Good Citron, lb. 16c, Best Citron, lb. 18c
Orange and Lemon Peel, lb. 15c
Condensed Mincemeat, lb. pkg. 9c and 10c
New Mixed Nuts lb. 14c and 15c
Soft Shell Walnuts, lb. 18c
New Prunes, 2 lbs. 19c
Very Large Prunes, 2 lbs. 14c
Cape Cod Cranberries, 2 qts. 15c
5-lb. stone jar H. A. Johnson's Cranberry or finest preserves 47c
3-lb. cans Finest Hubbard Squash or Pumpkin 12c
California Lemon Cling Peaches, can 22c
1 lb. Fancy Moor Park Apricots 16c
3 lbs. Bulk Dates 20c
1-lb. cans Fancy Strawberries 16c

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THE LOWELL SUN

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SWORN CIRCULATION OF THE SUN

The sworn daily average circulation of The Lowell Sun for the year 1903, was **14,590** A gain of 1083 copies per day over the average for the year of 1902.

Sworn to by John H. Harrington, proprietor, Martin H. Reidy, business manager, and Alfred Pilotte, pressman of The Sun, before me, January 1, 1904. JOHN J. HOGAN, Notary Public.

☞This is a larger circulation than the combined circulation of all the other daily papers in Lowell.

☞An advertisement placed in The Sun is of more value to the advertiser than if it were inserted in all the other newspapers in Lowell, and the cost of inserting it in The Sun is about ONE-THIRD the price charged by the other papers.

Greene did not keep his promise to call upon Mr. Lawson in Boston. Now, it is said, Mr. Lawson is going to New York to see Mr. Greene. The interview should be interesting if either man means half what he says.

The experience of ex-Mayor McNamee in Cambridge and ex-Mayor Hurley in Salem tends to show that the mayor who goes out of office in defeat is not likely to succeed as candidate for re-election after a year or two of private life.

It would be very nice in Mr. Carnegie if he should decide to recoup the banks in the losses they have sustained through bogus collateral bearing his name. He is reported in poor health and may be in real danger of dying rich despite his efforts to avert such a calamity.

CONGRESS AND THE MOTH PEST.

Congress is not inclined to appropriate money for the extermination of the brown-tail moth in this state but will make a large appropriation to stamp out the boll weevil in Texas. The secretary of agriculture favors the latter and says Massachusetts should meet the expense of ridding itself of the moth pest.

THE GREAT CANAL QUESTION.

Before the work of constructing the isthmian canal proceeds very far, the question of deciding whether it shall be a sea level or a locks canal must be settled. Mr. Bunau-Varilla, who was for years the engineer of the Panama canal, says the cost of a sea level canal would be $100,000,000 greater than the cost of a canal of locks. Besides the time required for the construction would probably be doubled. With these facts in mind it is probable that the canal will be built with locks experimentally at least with the understanding that when the exigencies of commerce demand the other, it shall be built. The whole scheme is an engineering problem of no small magnitude.

REJECTION OF THE LUCE LAW.

In Tuesday's municipal elections in nineteen Massachusetts cities as in the elections of a week previous the Luce law got a black eye, five other cities having rejected it. That augers badly for the fate of this law over which there was so much discussion. Nevertheless the law is in force in Lowell and has had good results. The political machine has no use for the Luce law, the chief object of which is to overthrow the machine and give effect to the will of the people. All we can say in regard to the matter is, that where the law has been rejected, the people have been hoodwinked or else did not understand the workings of the law. The city of Lowell has adopted the law and thus far it has given general satisfaction.

THE BOSTON ELECTION.

It must be consoling to the democratic city of Boston to be deprived of the power of electing the aldermen of her choice. In virtue of a law passed by the legislature, the democratic majority must elect a republican minority. There were thirteen candidates on the ballot of both parties, but no voter could vote for more than seven from the entire number. Much curiosity was felt as to the outcome and much indignation by democrats at finding their privilege of voting for thirteen democratic candidates for aldermen overruled by a republican legislature. With the passage of such a law as this, the legislature should restore to the city of Boston her right to manage her police force and to make up her list of voters. Nothing but rank partisanship would ever suggest such a thing as depriving a progressive city of the management of her police department or the makeup of her list of voters. It is a most flagrant injustice to the citizens and a most barefaced violation of the principle of home rule, but in spite of the law the democrats elected ten of the thirteen aldermen. The republicans have a minority but it is insignificant. The laugh is on the legislature.

DANGER OF REVOLUTION IN RUSSIA.

There is an evident undercurrent of revolution working to the surface in Russia, a revolution which will not be much longer suppressed if the Czar refuses to grant concessions such as are demanded by the Zemstvos. The rioting which has already alarmed the authorities, gives evidence of a strong determination to wrest from the government a constitution that will recognize the right of the people to a share in the government and give them proper representation in the law making body. The Czar it appears is disposed to grant the popular reforms demanded; but absolute monarch though he be, he is surrounded by fossils even more absolute, so absolute and tyrannical that they will brook no compromise with the people. These are the worst enemies of the empire and if the Czar does not show the independence necessary to overrule them he is bound to have serious trouble in his empire.

At the present juncture while the nation is engaged in a desperate war, it would be fatal to Russian chances of victory, to allow any popular disturbance to gain headway. The Czar seems to realize the danger as when the Zemstvos presented their petition he surprised those around him by requesting a conference with a delegation representing the Zemstvos, stating at the same time that he wished for time to look into the matter. This was a most conciliatory answer and unless the Czar gives way to unwise counsellors he will meet the Zemstvos and pacify them by granting liberal concessions. That is the only means by which he can preserve internal peace while the nation is engaged in a death struggle with Japan.

EXTRAVAGANCE OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.

The congress of the United States is proceeding to make this by far the most expensive administration in the history of the country.

There will be a treasury deficit of some $30,000,000 for the current fiscal year. More than half the appropriations are for war or the contingencies of war and under an administration such as the present it is useless to propose any reduction in these expenses. This nation is actually to be placed on a war footing as much as is England, Russia or France. Before the Spanish war the average cost of the army and navy was less than $100,000,000, while at present it is over $200,000,000 and yet there are those in the government at Washington, including the president himself, who think that the appropriation for these departments are not nearly large enough.

To meet the deficiency there must be an increase in direct taxation, an increase of the burdens resting upon the shoulders of the people, either in the form of the stamp tax or a bond issue. The latter is reserved for national emergencies, and so should be the former, but the tendencies of the government are directed towards one of these two methods of meeting the government deficiency. With such a state of affairs, it will be difficult to get the republicans moved to reduce the tariff at any point. The revenue is needed and that it comes from the tariff duties which oppress the people is not likely to disturb the republicans so long as they need the money to meet the treasury deficit.

SEEN AND HEARD

If one half of the men who are Casey men today voted for him on election day he would have had a monstrous plurality.

The day of the independent voter has dawned. He has thrown off all yokes including that of the man who is licensed to sell poison.

There are a great many families in the city who are in hard circumstances. Christmas is near at hand and those of us who can spare it should do a little to brighten the day for those whose means are limited. Inquire of Agent Richardson of the Humane Society and he will tell you where a dollar will do the most good. Forget yourself for a little while and contribute in a small measure to the poor and needy.

The joke was on George H——n, a well-known local bartender, who heard at a late hour Tuesday night that the city had gone no-license. He was attending a performance at a local theatre at the time and runners had been keeping him posted on the way the license vote was going, but evidently the messenger had been "fixed" for shortly after nine o'clock he received a note stating that with two precincts to hear from the city had gone "no" by 313. George saw his good job floating through the air, and with a sick heart he left the theatre and rushed through the streets to city hall where he inquired by how much the city had gone "no." "Lock that man up," said one of the men at the city clerk's office, "he must have gone 'bug.'" A few more circulations of a similar nature and George pinched himself to see if he was asleep. He finally learned that the city went license by a big majority and the hall could not hold him. He is now swearing vengeance on the man who circulated the false report and almost caused his heart to stop beating. He says he will get square with "Dick" if it takes a lifetime.

SECRETARY SHAW

HAD CONFERENCE WITH FLOUR MILLING REPRESENTATIVES.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15—At the request of Secretary Shaw, representatives of a number of the leading flour milling interests of the country yesterday conferred with the secretary on the subject of the regulations now in preparation to allow drawback on exported flour made in part from the imported wheat.

At the conclusion of the conference a statement made by Secretary Shaw was given out, saying in part:

"The only proposition over which any controversy has arisen relates to the manufacture of flour composed in part of Canadian and in part of home-grown wheat. The secretary of the treasury has not yet passed on this proposition. The legal phrase has been submitted to the attorney general.

"If the application for drawback on flour from mixed wheat is allowed, regulations will be so drawn as to insure the payment of duty on every bushel of Canadian wheat that comes in.

"The importance of the subject will be appreciated when it is known that during October 1903, 1,800,000 barrels of American made flour were exported, and in October 1904, less than 800,000 barrels. In other words, the exportation of American made flour has fallen off during the present season, more than one half. If the European bakers that have been using American made flour change, it will be next to impossible to get the trade back and it can never be gotten back until the American farmer sells his wheat cheap enough to permit the American miller to undersell."

PROBATE COURT

JUDGES McINTIRE AND LAWTON.

Wills presented for probate at Cambridge, Dec. 13: Henry Richardson, Belmont, W. T. Moore, Lowell; G. H. Holden, Stoneham; Cornelius Coughlin, Littleton; Louisa Hill, Wakefield; Mahala Joyce, Medford; J. E. Clapp, Malden; S. S. Pollard, Malden; C. H. Crane, Somerville; Emma Acorn, Framingham; Thomas Keefe, Melrose; Lydia Maleon, Malden; Mary Doherty, Stoneham; Adelaide Hubbard, Dracut; Henry Eaton, Wakefield; Sarah Gulbt, Cambridge; T. P. Holmes, Stoneham; Laura Upton, Townsend; Lyman Mead, Acton; H. W. Coolidge, Holliston; Martin Hughes, Newton; Sarah Farrar, Pepperell; T. W. Kenney, Woburn; Le Roy Talbot, Billerica.

Administrations: Bridget Dunlay of Lowell; H. W. Broad, Reading; Edward Allen, Watertown; C. L. Simpson, Natick; J. R. Kenney, Somerville; G. C. Howe, Natick; Mary Lyons, Watertown; Helen Beede, Stow; Harriet Porter, Newton; M. M. Rogers, Cambridge; R. N. Yancey, Stoneham; Lena Lamb, Cambridge; J. L. Nash, Framingham; Alicia Pierce, Tyngsboro; Susan Earle, Cambridge; Mary Sullivan, Somerville; Emeline Johnson, Shirley; Martha Coolidge, Watertown; T. W. Crowe, Winchester; John Cummings, Cambridge.

ENDED HER LIFE

WOMAN JUMPED FROM A FERRY BOAT.

BOSTON, Dec. 15—Mrs. John W. Parker, of 20 Planche street, Dorchester, ended her life by jumping from an East Boston ferry boat last evening. She was alive when taken from the water by the crew of a tug boat, but died before medical aid could reach her. Mrs. Parker was 50 years old and has had considerable sickness within the past three months, although she appeared to be in good health when she left home yesterday afternoon.

PUTNAM & SON CO.

166 Central Street

If it is a Question of Christmas for the Boy, Why Not Give Him a Nice Warm Overcoat?

For the Boy 8 Years to 16, we put on sale today, Long Tourist Overcoats, half belt back—just what the boy wishes for, at only **$3.50**

$5.00 for Long Tourist Overcoats, sizes 8 years to 16, handsome enough for any boy. These coats come to the boys' ankle, have broad shoulders, loose backs, half belt, velvet collar and are made from all wool fancy friezes. They were marked down yesterday simply because we needed a lot more overcoats to sell for **$5.00**

Other Tourist overcoats in large sizes—elegant garments, up to **$12**

$2.00 for 50 Pretty Russian Overcoats opened this morning—to fit boys 3 years to 9. Made from nice dark blue melton, cut long, full double breast, military buttons and embroidered silk emblems on sleeve—for only **$2.00**

THE AMERICAN BOY MAGAZINE FOR A WHOLE YEAR FREE

Give It to Your Boy for a Christmas Present

With every purchase amounting to $5.00 or over in our Boys' Department, your boy gets this splendid magazine free for a year. You may include as many articles as you please in making up the amount of your purchase—so long as the sum total amounts to $5.00.

OF PARK SYSTEMS

Some Systems of Outer Park Systems

Following is an interesting article on the "Outer-Park System of America" by Andrew Wright Crawford, secretary of the allied organization for a comprehensive park movement of Philadelphia:

The dawn of the twentieth century has discovered a movement that is rich with promise for urban life. The desire for civic beauty is upon us; not the effeminate, anaemic beauty whose delicate existence depends on artificial light and air, but the vigorous, full-blooded beauty of nature herself.

It was this desire that was conceived in the last decade of the last century. It was realized in one instance. That realization led to the fulfillment of another dream. A third ideal seemed possible, the attempt was made, and success was achieved. And so achievement has followed achievement until the "city beautiful" is no longer dreamed about; it is planned. It is no longer proposed in the abstract; it is secured in the concrete.

In 1893 there seemed to be no harm in allowing a few enthusiasts to show what might be done in the way of making a plan for an outer-park system for Boston. The plan was drawn. It showed the surprising possibilities of the environs of Boston. The Metropolitan park commission was thereupon appointed, and since 1894 has been carrying out the suggestions of the preliminary commission, until now Boston and its suburbs have the greatest park system in this country, and perhaps the most comprehensive in the world. Within eleven miles of the state house, the area covered by the metropolitan district, there are thirty-nine different municipal corporations.

The metropolitan system does not include the local parks of the various municipal corporations within the district. The corporation of Boston has 2389 acres. Many of the thirty-eight other cities and towns have extensive holdings of their own. The object of the metropolitan park commission was to connect these scattered holdings by parkways, and to add to them large reservations in the outlying districts. To December 1, 1903, the commission had expended $11,196,841, over three-fifths of which was spent for the land. And yet more. The legislature of 1903 then directed a completion of the metropolitan parks system by making the additional appropriation of $3,000,000, subject to the provision that $300,000 only should become available in each of the ensuing five years. The reservations under the care of the metropolitan commission contain 9247 acres; it has constructed fifteen miles of parkway connecting links, and has title to the land for ten miles more.

With the park holdings of Boston and the other cities and towns included in the metropolitan district there are, within eleven miles of the state house, 15,175 acres of parks. The grand total of cost of land and improvements of both the local and the metropolitan systems within the district is $33,275,052. The average annual cost of maintenance of both local and metropolitan systems is $521,465, about evenly divided between the two.

The park system embraces the five most prominent features of the country around Boston. These are the three river valleys and the two highlands. Of the latter, one is the Middlesex Fells, covering 1883 acres, and the other the Blue Hills Reservation, covering 4855 acres, and situated eleven miles from the state house. The system also includes reservations along the ocean front, which are particularly popular with the inhabitants of Boston. One park is connected by a parkway with another park, continuously. This is what is meant by a park "system." The northern portion of the system has no connection with the southern portion, although each division is thoroughly linked into a coordinated series of parks and parkways. The connection between the two portions will probably be made by a parkway leading from the Harvard bridge, across Cambridge and Summerville, to the Fellsway. The reservation along the south bank of the Charles river will be continued by the Boston park commission eastwardly to the Charles bank playground.

In the same year that Boston began the acquisition of its system, a scheme of surrounding parks and boulevards was suggested for Kansas City. By 1901 it was largely acquired, and some extensions have since been made. The principle of this system is the same as that of Boston and of the outer-park systems that are being acquired elsewhere. The twenty-four new small parks covering two hundred and four acres, the acquisition of fifty-eight miles of formal and valley parkways, in widths varying from two hundred feet to a quarter of a mile, and with yet larger outlying reservations.

The Olmsted Brothers were likewise employed to prepare plans for connecting the parks of Louisville with each other, and for securing park systems for Portland, Ore., and Seattle, Wash. These reports are scarcely a year old. The report of the King's Highway commission of St. Louis, on a continuous connection between its principal parks, was presented in March, 1903.

Other cities have park systems partly acquired. Through the heart of Omaha a parkway has been secured in the last few years, and it is proposed to obtain other and larger parks in the outlying sections, connecting them with the system so far constructed. Five miles of a surrounding parkway are now in use in Toledo. In Hartford, Conn., the parks of the system have been practically secured, and their connection by parkways is just beginning. One link will probably be opened this summer. Springfield, Ill., and Springfield, Mass., are at work, as are many of the smaller cities. One that has made considerable progress is Harrisburg, where sixty public-spirited citizens secured the services of Mr. Warren H. Manning in planning a park system two or three years ago. Part of his recommendations have already been carried out, and it is considered likely that the whole plan will be adopted.

In Buffalo one of the most complete systems has been acquired, and one that offers great variety, due to its admirable city plan, which spreads out in the shape of a fan from Niagara square, the centre of the city.

The boulevards of Chicago were perhaps the best known of any in the country until the last few years, but Chicago has been very backward in the acquisition of the small parks and playgrounds that form a city's lungs, and of the great parks that, on account of their size, are generally called "country" parks. It has sharply realized this recently, and is in a fair way to remedy its want. Mr. J. F. Foster, general superintendent of the South Park commission, thus epitomizes the situation: "The North Side commissioners have authority to expend one-half million dollars for small parks or playgrounds. The West Side commissioners have also been authorized to expend one million, and the South Park commissioners one million. The South Park commissioners have also been authorized to expend three million dollars in the acquiring and improvement of larger parks. These funds are available, and will be used without delay by the South Park commissioners, at any rate, in the carrying out of the intention of the law. Fourteen new parks have been selected, the land has largely been purchased, and the plans of most of them have been adopted. The president of the board of county commissioners has appointed a committee of members of the county commissioners, the different park boards, the common council, and public-spirited citizens, for the purpose of taking what steps are necessary to bring about the establishment of an outer system of park reservation, something similar to that existing about Boston." Mr. Dwight Heald Perkins has been employed to prepare such a park system, both by the city of Chicago and Cook county.

An exceptionally encouraging sign is that business organizations are among the leaders in this advance. It is the Cleveland chamber of commerce that is principally responsible for the adoption of that city's group plan. It was due to the Merchants' Association of San Francisco that last November there was an affirmative popular vote on a loan of two million dollars for the acquirement of parks, a portion of which will link Golden Gate park with the Presidio, a government reservation. The Philadelphia board of trade, the Merchants' and Travelers' association, and the Retail Grocers' association are among the forty organizations agitating a complete system for Philadelphia, and the Trades league joined in a meeting held this spring to further the movement. Similarly, Queens county board of trade, the Metropolitan avenue board of trade, and the West End board of trade are three of twenty-three organizations that have formed "The United Civic Associations of the Borough of Queens," among the objects of which is the acquisition of a park system combined with "a broad-minded development of the city plan" of that portion of greater New York. The Staten Island chamber of commerce a year ago presented a report on a proposed park system of four thousand acres for that residential section of the metropolis.

The great movement that has spread throughout the country shows that the entire nation is ready for such extended developments. It sees their utility not only from the aesthetic, but from the business and hygienic points of view. Many cities are executing extensive plans for outer-park systems, and radical schemes are being undertaken for the embellishment of their inner sections.

This is the time to buy flour. Fred H. Rourke, 284 Gorham street.

MME. PATTI'S CONCERT.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 15—Mme. Adelina Patti gave a concert here last night for the benefit of the Red Cross society under the auspices of the Grand Duchess Maria Pavlovna. The concert was a brilliant success, netting over $37,000. Seats were sold at fabulous prices. Emperor Nicholas, members of the imperial family and all the wealth and rank of the Russian capital were present. The diplomatic corps was represented by Spencer Eddy, the American charge d'affaires.

Cured of Asthma

After 35 years of Suffering.

It will be gratifying to Asthmatic readers to learn that an absolute cure has at last been discovered by Dr. Schiffmann. That the remedy is an effectual one cannot be doubted after perusal of such testimony as that of C. W. Van Antwerp, Fulton, N. Y., who says: "Your remedy (Schiffmann's Asthma Cure) is the best I ever used. I bought a package of our druggist and tried it and one box entirely cured me of Asthma, and I have not had it since. I can now go to bed and sleep all night with perfect comfort, which I have not done before for 35 years and I thank you for the health that I now enjoy. I hope that you will publish this letter, that others may learn of its wonderful virtues."

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HORNE COAL CO.

TOOK HIS LIFE

Man Was Discouraged and Out of Work

TRIED HARD TO GET FOOD FOR CHILDREN

Lost His Position Because of Illness

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—After trudging through the snow from one end of the city to the other in the vain hope of securing employment, his wife and six children without food and ordered to leave their home in an upper East Side tenement house because of nonpayment of rent, John Corcoran, a clerk, today ended his life by drinking carbolic acid.

Corcoran lost his position three weeks ago through illness and during the period of idleness his scanty savings disappeared. Yesterday Corcoran obtained work with a gang of city snow shovelers but he was too weak from illness and was forced to quit after an hour's trial with the shovel. Then the task of searching for employment was again resumed. Thoroughly discouraged Corcoran returned home last night to find his wife and children without food and the notice of dispossession on the door.

"I'll be back soon with better news," he told his wife.

Early this morning Corcoran returned, went back to the kitchen and without saying a word started to raise a bottle of carbolic acid to his lips. The woman realizing what he was about to do, leaped to take it from him and then ensued a struggle in the presence of the six little ones, in which the man finally conquered and drank the poison. When an ambulance surgeon arrived Corcoran was dead.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC

Lovers of the good and beautiful in fiction will no doubt be gratified to learn that an opportunity will be given them to follow the career of gentle "Dora Thorne," the story that made Bertha M. Clay famous: in a dramatization which has been put forth for the first time this season. Who have not laughed and cried with the fortunate, and still unfortunate Dora, following her through her loves, hopes and vicissitudes with deep-rooted interest; and when the story of her life was ended laying it aside reluctantly as though parting from a beloved friend. And then the beautiful little twins, the manly and impulsive Ronald Earle, the statuesque Valentine Charteris; all the well known characters come to life, and tell the beautiful story all over again. This play may well be termed "Pure as the Lilies," refreshing and wholesome, and is surely a play for all, reaching all and pleasing all in its direct touches into the hearts and home life of the rich as well as the poor. This splendid production will be seen at the Academy of Music for three nights with daily matinees commencing this afternoon.

MORE TROUBLE

Sitting of Hungarian Parliament Suspended

BUDAPEST, Dec. 15—The parliamentary truce has been short lived. The session of the Hungarian parliament today witnessed a repetition of the turbulence which has marked most of the recent sittings. The members of the opposition emphatically declined to recognize the new rules of procedure and greeted Premier Tizsea's attempts to speak with such a storm of invective and other noisy interruptions that the sitting had to be suspended repeatedly. Premier Tizsea essayed to speak, but although prior to the third suspension of the sitting he stood for 30 minutess appealing for a hearing he was finally forced to desist by the deafening din caused by an unceasing chorus of "Resign" from the members of the united opposition.

MR. FOSTER'S PAPER

FAVORS RAISING HIS OWN HELP ON FARM.

Howard W. Foster of Tewksbury read an interesting paper on farming before the convention of the State Grange at Greenfield. Speaking of the farmers' home he said:

The help question on the farm is a serious one and we see no solution unless we raise our own help. We are quick to see the advantage of owning thoroughbred stock. How proud the farmer is of his thoroughbred horses and cows! How about thoroughbred young farmers, and blue-ribbon young housekeepers, trustworthy, cultured, quick of hand and brain?

"Give them an interest and they will take an interest," is as true today as ever. Let the farmer give his sons and daughters every advantage possible, let the "old folks at home" keep pace as well as they can with the young folks at school, let them be receptive to new ideas and responsive to high ambitions, then truly the farmers' home will be the happiest place on earth, and its members, nature's noble men and noble women.

SENATOR CRANE

CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE ON INDUSTRIAL EXPOSITIONS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.- The report of the committee empowered to fill vacancies in senate committees was made to the senate yesterday. It involved a number of changes by old senators to make places for Senators Dick of Ohio, Crane of Massachusetts and Knox of Pennsylvania. Two important chairmanships were filled. They were Senator Mitchell for inter-oceanic canals, and Senator Platt of Connecticut for judiciary. The report of assignments includes:

Senator Crane—Industrial expositions, chairman; Canadian relations, to examine the several branches of the civil service, postoffice and post roads, public buildings and grounds.

Senator Dick—Indian depredations, chairman; engrossed bills, mines and mining, naval affairs, territories.

Senator Knox—Coast defenses, chairman; Indian affairs, inter-oceanic canals, organization, conduct and expenditures of the executive departments, privileges and elections.

JAMES W. BINGHAM

OLD MAN BINGHAN

On Trial in Criminal Court in Cambridge

In the superior criminal court at East Cambridge yesterdny several Lowell cases were heard including that of George M. Bingham, the grandfatherly looking old man who had dealings with men in this city who sell trip books between here and Boston. The men in question, Milon D. Brown and Sidney Drewett, did not like the way that the patriarchal appearing man did business. He gave them checks that were no good and he wrote funny letters to them. He asked them to wait when patience had ceased to be a virtue and endeavored to smooth over the rough places in his business transactions by inviting the men with whom he had dealings to dine with him. Bingham was old enough to be original and his ways were peculiar.

When his case was called yesterday he immediately asked for a continuance and he used the same plea as he used in the lower court. He said that he was waiting for counsel, Frederick D. Preston of Boston. When asked if he had communicated with him he said he had written him and that he was waiting a reply.

Judge Lawton instructed an officer to telephone to Mr. Preston and ascertain if Mr. Bingham was telling the truth. The officer learned that Mr. Preston had heard from Mr. Bingham. He was unable to attend to the case himself, he said, but would send a substitute counsel. F. L. Banks appeared for Bingham and the complaint with its numerous counts were read. When the government rested its case Bingham was sworn and told the following story:

"I lived at 1069 Main street, Melrose Highlands. I have been a dealer in real estate. I have 100 lots in Cape Cod in my hands, but I have not a deed of them. I have bought and sold real estate on commission.

"I had certain business dealings with Sidney Drewett. I owed him $9 for a trip book and presented a $10 gold piece, receiving $1 in change. At the time I sent Drewett a check I thought I had a balance in the bank sufficient to cover the check. I paid Drewett in full after I was arrested. Mr. Ralt received his check at a time that I understood I had funds in the bank. I was careless in keeping my accounts. If I exceeded my account, God knows it was not with the idea of cheating anybody. I had some real estate transactions on hand at the time that I offered these checks and I counted on them.

"As to the letters, I got to the point where I couldn't meet the checks, and these parties began to threaten me. I knew it wasn't just the right thing to do, but I was trying to avoid trouble by gaining a delay. I certainly have sea shore lots. I placed them in the hands of brokers and was expecting $1500 on the sale of them. The broker lived in Philadelphia. The checks that I passed represent $80.50. My wife is sick, my mother is 92 years old, and I have a daughter, all three being dependent upon me for support.

"Had I not been arrested on a Sunday I would have been able to pay my debts on checks on Monday."

His case will be disposed of today.

The cases of Krakor Ahlijian and Lizzie Emokian, charged with adultery, were taken up. Both pleaded guilty. The woman who had been arrested before was sentenced to four months to the house of correction and the man was placed on probation.

Lawrence F. Scully and Nellie Freeman of Lowell were charged with lewd and lascivious cohabitation. The man pleaded guilty and the woman not guilty, but subsequently she changed her plea. A sentence of three months to the house of correction in each case was imposed.

MASS MEETING

HELD BY FRIENDS OF RUSSIAN FREEDOM.

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—A mass meeting under the auspices of the "Friends of Russian Freedom" over which William Dudley Foulke, of Indiana, the president of the national organization, presided, was held in Faneuil hall last night. Addresses were made by a number of well known speakers.

The latter included President Foulke, Prof. F. C. Sumichrast, and Prof. Leo Wiener of Harvard university; Mrs. Julia Ward Howe, Henry Blackwell, Mme. Breshkovskaya, the Russian exile and for 25 years the Russian political prisoner; Mr. Abraham Kahan of New York; Mr. Philip Davis, Mr. Romaskovitch and Mr. Shitlovsky of Boston.

Resolutions which embodied the sentiments of the gathering were adopted as follows:

Resolved, that as loyal Americans we extend our deepest sympathies to those brave, enlightened Russians who are sustaining the heavy burden of the selfsame struggle for liberty and human rights which make our own republic possible.

Resolved, that we do honor in our hearts and memories to the martyrs of the holy struggle for Russian freedom who have given their lives to the cause, by actual death or by the living death of prison and exile.

XAVERIAN BROTHERS

EIGHTEEN YOUNG MEN RECEIVED INTO THE ORDER.

The following is from the Baltimore Sun:

"The golden jubilee of the proclamation of the dogma of the Immaculate Conception was celebrated at the novitiate of the Xaverian Brothers connected with Mount St. Joseph's college in a manner befitting the solemn day.

Eighteen candidates, the largest number in the history of the novitiate, were vested in the habit of the congregation and entered upon a two years' novitiate, or preparation, before being fully admitted as members. The young men's courses of studies for these years will be "know thyself" as a foundation, the various phases of religious life as a background and a regular normal course as a means.

Rev. Vincent Garacan, C. P., chaplain of the college, conducted the exercises. The choir, consisting of brothers and a number of students from the college, sang the responses, hymns, psalms and a Gregorian mass. After the query whether it was of their own free will that they made their request he spoke to the aspirants on the important step they were about to take, showing them that they should not expect a life of serenity and ease, but one of many and lasting hardships, but full of merit for eternity. The young men admitted were:

Arnold P. Driscoll, Somerville, Mass., who took the name of Brother Paulinus.

William G. Bayden, Louisville, Ky., Brother Valerian.

Michael P. Collins, Webster, Mass., Brother Louis.

Michael J. O'Reilly, East Boston, Mass., Brother Albertus.

John P. Donohue, Somerville, Mass., Brother Amelian.

Edward J. Mahoney, Somerville, Mass., Brother Flubar.

Henry P. Rhoades, Whiteville, Ky., Brother Romanus.

Herbert Aguriera, Porto Rico, Brother Calasanctus.

Raphael T. Wathen, Knottsville, Ky., Brother Jude.

John P. Downey, New York city, Brother Pachomius.

George L. Drury, Big Clifty, Ky., Brother Semion.

Charles E. Milner, West Clifty, Ky., Brother Lucian.

Edward J. Jaquay, Wheeling, W. Va., Brother Rogatus.

Paul A. Kelley, Carbondale, Pa., Brother Humbert.

Joseph A. Doherty, Newark, N. J., Brother Vitalis.

Alexander N. Jost, Lawrence, Mass., Brother Prosper.

Damien Pelletier, Worcester, Mass., Brother Theophilus.

Aram Paradis, Woonsocket, R. I., Brother Eustasius.

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PARDONS VOTED

TWO MEN RELEASED FROM STATE PRISON.

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—The executive council yesterday voted the pardon and release from state prison of Edward J. Smith, a negro, and Charles Devlin. Governor Bates signed the papers last evening and later Smith was liberated. Devlin will be released tomorrow.

Smith was sentenced in the Suffolk supreme court on Dec. 18, 1900, to serve a term of eight to ten years on a charge of robbery.

Devlin was convicted and sentenced in 1898 to eight or ten years in prison for assault and robbery in Boston.

SIX DAY RIDERS

Who Refused to Finish in Race

RECEIVE SUSPENSIONS AND FINES

Walthour and Moran Suspended For a Year

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—The eight bike riders who refused to finish in the six-day race in New York last week have been penalized by the National Cycling association. In some cases the riders have been suspended and in others a suspension of the is to the be alternative. The decision in the case as announced yesterday is as follows:

"The board of control of the National Cycling association, after careful consideration of the cases of the insubordinate riders at the recent six-day bicycle race at Madison Square Garden has decided to immediately inflict penalties instead of waiting for the annual meeting of the National Cycling association in February. The action of the board is as follows:

"Walthour, Atlanta, Ga., and James F. Moran, Chelsea, Mass., suspended for one year.

"Otto Maya, Erie, Pa., and James B. Dowler, Chicago, suspended for six months.

"Hugh McLean, Chelsea, Mass., suspended for six months or pay a fine of $100.

"Nat Butler, Cambridge, Mass.; Jed Newkirk, Chicago, Ill.; Menus Bedell and John Bedell, Lynbrook, L. I.; Bennie Munroe, Memphis, Tenn., suspended for six months or pay a fine of $50 each.

(Signed) "R. F. KELSEY,
"Chairman Board of Control, N. C. A."

A $700 HITCH

WOMAN REFUSED TO GIVE UP AND LOST A HUSBAND.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Mrs. Rose Gerschnesser, a rather comely widow, who keeps a stationery supply store at 123 Stanton street, wants a husband. She all but had one last night but her refusal to hand over $700 before the ceremony caused a hitch in the plans, and perhaps saved her from a rash and ill-tempered mate.

Mrs. Gerschnesser has been in the habit of dining at Goldstein's restaurant, 120 Forsyth street, and when Goldstein told her the other night that she was too good looking and smart to be single, Mrs. Gerschnesser coyly admitted that it would not be impossible to induce her to choose a second husband. Goldstein said he would secure a nice man for her. The lonely widow had a pretty good conception of her affinity, and after she had thoroughly described him to Goldstein, the latter said he thought he had that affinity's counterpart handy.

Accordingly, Mrs. Gerschnesser was arrayed in her best when she went to Goldstein's restaurant on Monday night and seated herself at a table in the rear of the place. Soon a young man in a gay suit of clothes, his fingers sparkling with diamond rings and his shirt front lit up by the rays of an enormous diamond horseshoe, walked sprightly in.

Goldstein met him and escorted him to the table where Mrs. Gerschnesser sat. It was then that she became acquainted with William Hecht, 29 years old, alleged to be a prosperous real estate and diamond broker, of 62 Stanton street.

Hecht was a winner from the start. He made love to the widow until late in the night, and when she finally went home it was agreed that they should meet again last night and arrange the final details. When he met Mrs. Gerschnesser in the restaurant last night Hecht was anxious to get married right off, but first, the widow says, he wanted to know how much money his bride-to-be had for him by way of dowry. Mrs. Gerschnesser stated that she had $700 in bank and $200 out on a short time note.

Hecht, the widow says, wanted the $700 immediately. His fiancee, however, suggested that they get married, find out how each suited the other and then if after six months he qualified as a first class husband, she would hand over the entire $900.

This didn't appeal to Hecht. He wanted the $700 right then and there, or there would be nothing doing in the way of a wedding ceremony as far as he was concerned. The widow held to her original proposition. This is how she tells the story.

At this, Hecht became enraged, accused his betrothed of making a fool of him, and by way of emphasizing his hurt pride, she tearfully declared a little later, soaked his beloved on the jaw. Then he drew a revolver and threatened to rid the world of one ambitious widow.

The woman screamed, and a large crowd of easily excited East Siders swarmed into the restaurant. Policemen McCullom and Buckley of the Eldridge street station heard the row and made their way into the place. They found Hecht drawn up in a heroic attitude with a pearl handled revolver in his hand. He was taken to the station house and locked up on a charge of attempted felonious assault. Mrs. Gerschnesser went home, single.

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EDITOR DAVIS

WELL KNOWN NEWSPAPER MAN DIED OF HEART FAILURE.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 15.—L. Clarke Davis, editor-in-chief of the Public Ledger of this city, died at his home here yesterday of heart disease after an illness of two months. He was 70 years of age.

Mr. Davis, who had been managing editor of the Philadelphia Inquirer, became identified with the Public Ledger about twelve years ago and had up to the time of his last illness, directed the policy of that newspaper. He continued in active service until compelled to give up his work by the encroachment of the ailment which resulted in his death. He is survived by a widow, Rebecca Harding Davis, a daughter and two sons, one of the latter being Richard Harding Davis, prominent as a war correspondent, novelist and magazine writer.

NON-COMS.

OF CO. C HELD MEETING LAST EVENING.

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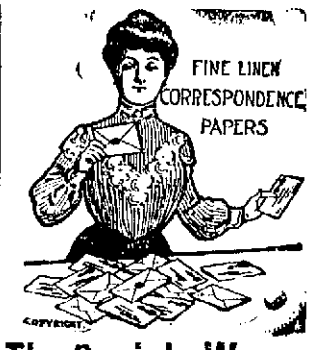

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Christmas

From the Viewpoint of Kate Clyde—An Ancient Joke Which Will Never Die—The Yuletide Gift Should Possess Individuality—Fashion Gossip

THERE is one very ancient Christmas joke that is really no joke at all, and yet, I am sorry to say, it will never fade away and grow out of style. I refer to the joke in which the wife gives her dear husband something she wants herself for a Christmas present. Only the other day I heard a sweet young

Gave her husband a new rug.

thing exclaim rapturously: "Oh, I have planned to give John such a delightful surprise for Christmas! You know Mme. de Style, who paints such charming miniatures? Well, I met her at a tea the other day, and she was kind enough to say she knew I would make such a fine subject. Yes, she did. Wasn't that lovely? And, do you know, I'm going to have her paint a miniature of me in that imported evening gown of mine. Won't it be perfectly fine to show to my children when they are old enough so that they will be able to appreciate what a very 'swell' mother they had? Don't you think that will be a lovely Christmas present? And won't John be surprised?" Well, rather, I thought to myself, especially when he has to foot the bill. Poor John, by the way, would rather have a four dollar a dozen photograph of his wife than anything else—just a plain picture of her in her everyday shirt waist, "looking natural," as he would put it.

Then there is Mrs. Blakley. One Christmas she gave her husband a new rug for the library, and Mrs. Bridey presented her fond hubby with a Morris chair upholstered in deep red simply because she had seen a picture representing a red interior and a young wife seated on the arm of just such a chair, while her husband smoked his pipe and read the paper. "Domesticity," I believe it was called, or some sweet thing like that. And her poor husband never could abide Morris chairs!

Individuality In Gifts.

Yes, indeed, Christmas is a great time, and the selection of Christmas gifts shows up a woman's character as quickly as anything. The tactful woman knows how to give. She never merely "buys presents;" they must express a certain individuality. Sometimes she writes a bit of verse on the dainty card which accompanies them, sometimes it is a quaint bit of humor, but anyway the little card which accompanies each present adds more than half again to the gift. She has the faculty, too, of choosing exactly what each woman friend really wants or dreams of. To Miss Prim, the lonely spinster, she sends a beautiful box of flowers done up with as much care as if they were sent by an adoring lover to the prettiest girl in town. Miss Prim appreciates that; no one ever sends her flowers. Miss Scribbler slaves all day in an inky blouse and strictly tailor made cuffs and collar. The tactful woman sends her a dainty bit of frivolous neckwear to brighten her up. A friend is scrimping to furnish a small apartment, so the thoughtful woman contributes a soft cushion of soft silk to harmonize with the wall paper. A girl away at school receives a daintily framed picture—some of the prints are so pretty and so cheap—or else she gets a fluffy pincushion for her toilet table, all pink and white and suggestive of home daintiness.

Domesticity.

Pictures as Presents.

By the way, speaking of pictures, I wonder some of you don't choose to make that sort of a Christmas present. The day is past when in order to be artistic a picture had to cost a great deal of money. The chromo of ungodly memory has disappeared, and with it all crudeness. Prints on gray paper, charcoal sketches, pen and ink reproductions, all are tastefully executed and simply and appropriately framed at a very low cost. I am glad to see that the colored photograph, the successor of the chromo, has also gone the way of gaudy things. The inexpensive pictures now on sale do not offend against good taste, because they do not try to usurp the place of oil paintings and are simple and unassuming in treatment. Nothing can be prettier than the gray prints on gray paper, the monotony of the whole being relieved by a single splash of color. For instance, one scene represents a chalet on the mountain side in Switzerland. Out of the grayness of twilight among the pines flashes a broad band of orange light from the chalet window. The almost universal gray tone of the picture is further carried out by the narrow gray wood frame. Now, can anything be more artistic or in better taste than these gray prints?

Another represents moonrise on the waters. The gray swell of the ocean in this case has reflected in it the bluish green of the moonlight.

A very acceptable and by no means expensive gift is a picture of yourself in one of the little oval gilt frames which cost so little nowadays. Photographers are taking pictures in the regular oval size with a special view to framing.

If you want to buy a more expensive frame choose one with a mat of tapestry or brocade and have the metal work of dull gold.

In Many Moods.

A clever girl friend of mine is giving as a Christmas present a series of six views of her summer vacation. They show her fishing, bathing, riding on horseback, playing golf and at the piano in evening dress. It makes a very attractive set, and every one of them was taken by a friend who had a camera; therefore the expense was slight. Perhaps the way in which they are framed is the most attractive thing about them. They are placed one below the other in connecting frames of black wood.

A particularly tactful and even less expensive Christmas present was a scrapbook presented last year to an invalid. It contained a number of her favorite poems and stories clipped from old books and magazines. Another "shut in" was made glad by an optimist's daily calendar on separate sheets, each sheet having a cheerful motto lettered neatly in water color below the date, so each day the invalid could look at fresh words of cheer. After all, it is the spirit and not the gift that counts. For my part, I tell you right now that I would infinitely rather have an inexpensive gift which showed a study of my tastes and foibles than the most costly affair possible that signified merely the power of money and a hurried shopping excursion with a long list.

A JAUNTY JACKET.

This jaunty little jacket is carried out in chestnut brown cloth and boasts a waistcoat of orange panne broadcloth fastened with a double row of cloth covered buttons. About the neck, down the revers and on the shoulders are ornaments of brown silk braid.

Oh, by the Way—Fashions.

Well, to change the subject, I do really believe that the day of the all white evening coat will soon draw to its close. For one thing, it is being frightfully overdone. You can buy white (so called) "broadcloth" evening coats for as low as $30. Every one has them, which means that the well dressed contingent will strive to be different at all costs. A good deal of champagne tint is being worn, but this color is almost too near tan, a shade not at all suggestive of evening dress. I saw a few nights ago a charming theater wrap of pale blue cloth outlined with fine cream braid. There was another fur lined affair of that yellowish shade known as crushed peaches, and to relieve this there was a collar of dark mink. Gray cloth is being revived, but nothing, let me tell you, is as smart as gray chiffon velvet.

Miss Scribbler slaves all day.

An imported model of this was shown to me in a dressmaking establishment. It was made very full, being shirred from the collarless neck and allowed to fall in rich folds. The sleeves were draped very full to show the beautiful suppleness of the material. There was not a bit of trimming on this save an edging of narrow silk braid, and yet nothing could have been more stunning.

Speaking of chiffon velvet, a friend of mine has a new gown of it which leaves nothing to be desired. It is black, trimmed with an inner vest of soft lace and an outer one of peach colored dull cloth which at first gives the impression of tinted leather. The undercuffs of the sleeves are also of this stunning new shade of peach.

That Dear Little Waist.

The cost of waists has gone up this season, as I discovered when I asked the price of a demure little lace waist and the saleswoman unblushingly said, "Eighty-five dollars, madam." On the whole, these new waists are more trouble to make than last year's, for they have a fitted lining, well boned and finished off with a belt of velvet. A waist meant to wear over the skirt costs more by $10 or $15 than the most elaborate unlined or loosely lined blouse, but is it worth the difference? The boned waist makes one often look stiff, and a pretty little net blouse over a loose china silk foundation can be confined into a wide silk boned belt which will sufficiently accentuate the figure. A fine and yet strong net appliqued with a few figures of lace when made over a china silk slip is infinitely superior to any other waist in wearing power and all round good service. The silk waist is rapidly giving way to the soft, fluffy chiffon, all over lace or net.

Oh, I knew there was something I was forgetting to tell you. Don't buy any crushed velvet. It is now being marked down in New York shops as low as 79 cents a yard. It has not proved at all popular with our leaders of fashion, and it will probably be relegated to oblivion in a few months. And why not? It certainly looks like old fashioned furniture coverings.

And now, I think, after giving you this piece of advice, I shall leave you to think it over. But, mind, if you feel you can afford to have a good velvet gown buy chiffon velvet. It is almost the only velvet which is considered smart nowadays. KATE CLYDE.

New York.

WHEN BABY GOES OUT IN HIS GOCART.

It is a very difficult matter to keep the legs of a tiny child covered when it is out of doors, and it is more difficult even in a gocart than in the ordinary perambulator. Little legs kick off light rugs, and heavy ones are undesirable. The best plan is to make what is often called a "pram sack" to take the place of a rug. It can be made of a variety of materials and is a simple bag with a drawing string run into the hem at the top. The baby's legs are put into the bag. Its clothes are comfortably smoothed down and then the ribbon string tied round his little waist. Then his legs are free to kick about, and yet all the time he is kept from cold.

The cozy "pram sack" may be made of any soft all wool cloth, very lightly wadded, or it may be knitted in wool and lined with pongee silk, or a very homely sack could be made from a small colored blanket. Any mother having the idea presented to her would know in what material to carry it out, and very likely some mothers would make the winter pelisses in this manner for the babies in arms, who would thus be prevented from suffering from the cold.

THE CHINESE WAY.

When a Chinaman wants to have a tooth drawn he feels no nervous apprehension of pain for the excellent reason that he knows his dentist will not inflict any. The latter simply rubs a powder over the aching tooth. After about five minutes the patient sneezes, and the tooth falls out. Many attempts have been made by Europeans to obtain the recipe for this mysterious powder, but no one has yet succeeded.

Christmas Work

Of Maud Ballington Booth For the Prisoners' League

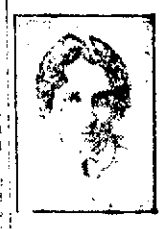
THREE times I have seen Mrs. Ballington Booth, and each time a picture clear and unfading remained in my memory. One morning I was going through Washington market, New York city. A man and woman wearing the uniform of the Salvation Army were walking past a meat stand in the market. Some big, burly, coarse faced fellows jeered at the pair, making brutal, audible comment and laughing the horse laugh of ignorance. Plainly, too, the animus of theological hatred was behind the behavior of the burly rowdies.

The Salvation Army pair were only walking past the stand, looking neither to the right nor left. The feeling that came uppermost in the outsider's mind was that the jeering men ought to have had their mouths slapped. But the woman only turned her face toward the men and smiled, the smile of an angel. Her face was beautiful, but that smile, radiant and sweet, glorified it. From portraits I had seen I recognized that she whom the men had insulted was Maud Ballington Booth.

The second time I saw her she spoke in Plymouth church, Brooklyn, the old meeting house within whose walls somehow the eloquence of Henry Ward Beecher still seems to linger unforgotten. But never even Beecherian eloquence impressed an audience in the old church more than the words of Maud Booth did. The house was crowded, the silence unbroken even by the church cough. These people listened as though they feared to lose a word of that singularly sweet, thrilling voice. First the uncommon beauty of the woman speaker impressed the throng, then the music of her voice, then the devoted earnestness and enthusiasm with which she had given herself to the mission of helping those whom other people seemed to have forgotten. Tears came to some eyes there as she talked to us. And after the meeting closed none there was but went away with a deeper reverence for womanhood, a hope for the higher development of humanity.

Ballington Booth and his wife, English though they were, came to like us in America as well that both became naturalized citizens of the United States. Maud Booth as well as her husband went through the legal formalities that transferred her allegiance from Great Britain to this republic. After a time occurred the separation from the Salvation Army and the formation by Mr. and Mrs. Booth of the Volunteers of America.

A dozen years ago Maud Ballington Booth was in San Quentin, Cal., where the state prison is. While there she received a letter from a number of the convicts in the penitentiary asking her to come and address them. She went. She talked to them and moved them as hardly any other living speaker can do. She met them not as one patronizing them from superior heights of virtue, but as one who felt toward them as sister might feel toward brother. In so many words Maud Ballington Booth has said:



Mrs. Booth.

"I know that the worst men are not necessarily those who are in prison. The men who do the greatest injury to their fellow men and cause the most sorrow in the world are not those who are in prison. The stigma does not fall upon a man because he commits a crime, but because he is punished for a crime. The criminal who evades or escapes the law is not disgraced, but he who is less fortunate or capable and is caught is branded forever."

Mrs. Booth felt infinite pity for and sympathy with "the men who had been caught," and there was no need to tell them of it. They felt it. Many of them had wives and children, left helpless because of the convict's incarceration. They wrote to Mrs. Booth as to their only friend, entreating her to see if something could not be done for their destitute families.

Thus it was that Maud Ballington Booth's distinctive mission came to her. From the time she addressed in San Quentin penitentiary the "men who had been caught" she has wrought bravely and well for them and for those deprived of their support. Everybody else turned from them with aversion. Among the different lines in which the Volunteers of America are interested there is a prison department, and Mrs. Booth is at its head.

The third time I have seen this woman whom prison convicts the Union over call "Little Mother" was recently when I called to ask her what the prison department of the Volunteers of America does in the line of Christmas work. Mrs. Booth is a beautiful woman, not tall, but very graceful, a brunette with warm brown hair and tender brown eyes. She has rather an oriental type of face and looks so very young that one can scarcely believe she has a son seventeen years old. She wore a soft black cashmere gown cut slightly surplice at the throat, with three azure stars, symbol of her office, pinned across the breast.

At each Christmas time Maud Booth undertakes to see that all the families of her prisoners have something to make the day glad. There is no public dinner, but each child receives a suit of clothes and a toy to make it happy. There are also for each little one two pairs of stockings, one pair to wear, the other filled with candies and nuts. The mother, too, gets a Christmas present of some article that will be useful to her. Then the dinner, that which does most of all to realize Mrs. Booth's idea of "taking Christmas into the home!" Each prisoner's family gets a turkey or pair of chickens, with vegetables and other things, in all food enough to last several days. Fuel to cook the food for this joyous Christmas feast goes with the eatables, for the Christmastide finds many a prisoner's family without a shovel of coal in their poor rooms. In New York a wagon distributes the donations, and Maud Ballington Booth herself goes with the wagon to bestow the good things and give the women and children her blessing.

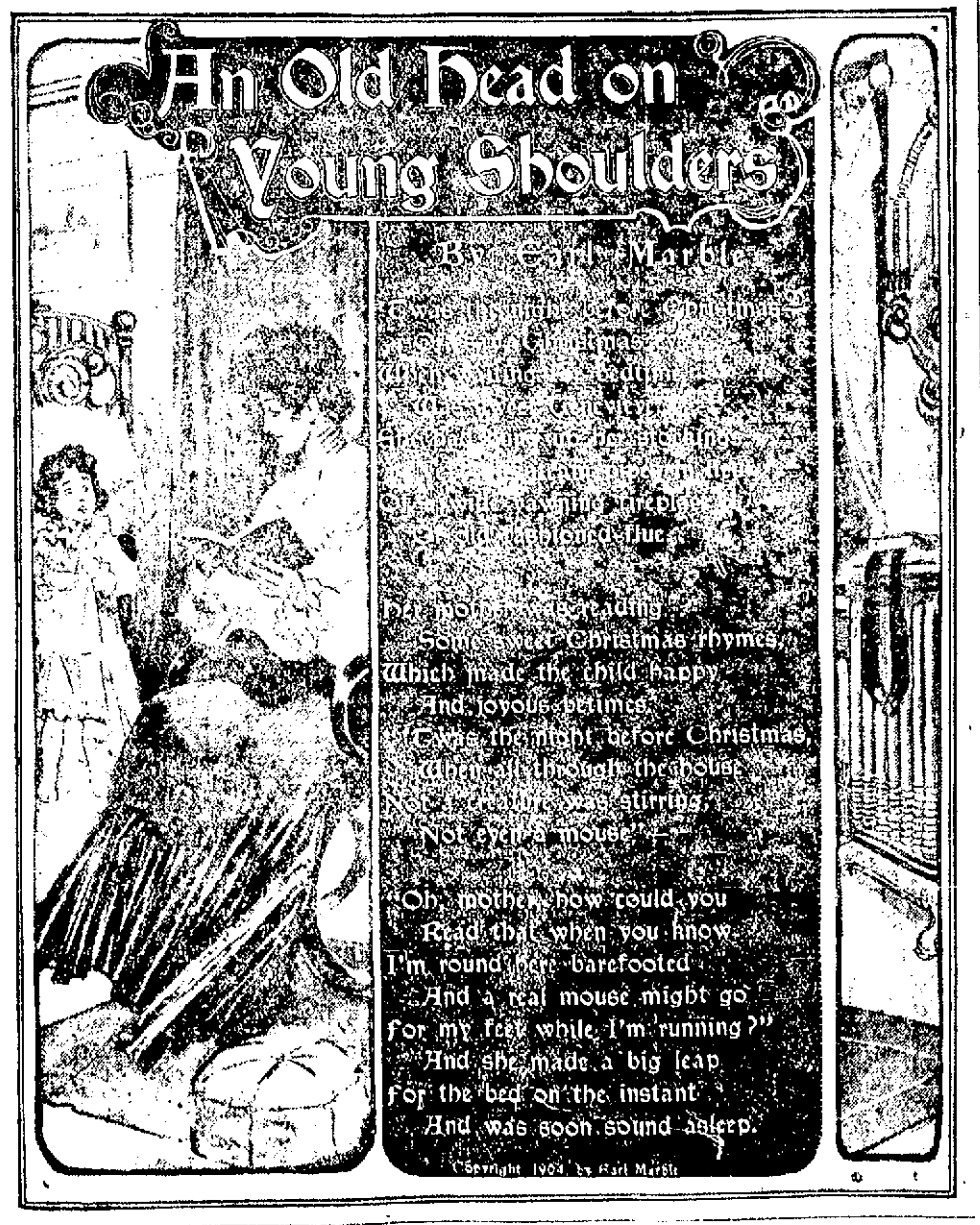
Where do you suppose the money comes from to pay for these gifts? Well, Mrs. Booth earns it nearly all herself by lecturing. From city to city, from town to town, she goes, her sweet, sympathetic voice touching the hearts of men and women with the story of her efforts to befriend those who most need friends.

Eight years ago Mrs. Booth organized the V. P. L.—Volunteer Prisoners' league—among those who are "doing time" in the various penitentiaries. Members receive a league button and agree to a few simple rules, religious and otherwise. In return Mrs. Booth places on her list the names and addresses of their families and proteges and cares for these. It is much to the prisoners to have such a friend. No wonder they regard her with something very like worship.

The work of the prisoners' angel does not end here, however. When the man who does time has finished doing it and comes out, what then? He finds it almost impossible, even when determined to "live square," to get honest employment. With a malice that has a touch of the fiendish in it, those who know his story tell it against him. Wherever he goes it pursues him, try as he will. So the prisoners' friend established in various parts of the country her Hope halls, homes for discharged convicts. And she somehow raises money to maintain these homes too. In the homes are received and fed and sheltered the released men until work can be found for them, the employer in all cases being told of the man's career and that now Mrs. Booth vouches for his perfect honesty. In one case recently one of the ex-convicts was hired to guard a wealthy bride's wedding presents, which he did faithfully.

Through Mrs. Booth's Hope halls have passed 3,600 discharged prisoners, and of these 70 per cent are today respectable, industrious citizens.

LILLIAN GRAY.



THE BRIDEGROOM'S SONG.

I'm sick of the song of the bride and her bloom;
Just hearken to me for awhile—I'm the groom.
I know I've no rights in the case, but, alas!—
That's right—all I get in the case is a lass.
I know I'm supposed to be silent and meek,
But, dash it! I'm bound to get reckless and speak.

They're buzzing about what the bride is to wear;
They're buzzing about how she'll do up her hair;
They're quarreling over the bridal bouquet—
I listen in silence to all that they say.
They treat me as though I was chained to my doom—
Alack! What am I? I am only the groom.

Sing on of the beautiful bride and her bloom,
But don't mention me I am only the groom.
Just say, "He was dressed in conventional black,"
Then kindly forget me and hasten right back
To rave o'er the bride till you're black in the face—
I'm only the groom, and I'm learning my place.

THE FAIR AMERICAN.

"I believe the real attraction of the American girl for Englishmen lies in her complete contrast to the women of their own country," writes an Englishwoman who seems to be jealous. "She can talk, she can amuse and she can stimulate his jaded senses by picturesque slang and impudent raillery. She is free and easy, yet holds him in bounds should he—by accident—incline to confuse her with a less discreet personality. She can talk on anything and everything—and does. She knows all about sports and games. She can dance like a ballet girl and sing comic songs with any variety stage prima donna. She is all energy and life. She has nerves of steel, yet a frame as fairylike as Titania's. Above all these charms, she has—dollars. * * * But there are not wanting critics keen as herself to point out that her cleverness is very superficial, her apparently universal knowledge due to memory, not research, her beauty as short lived as her youth and her conversational charm due to its novelty in forms of expression, slang and quaint phraseology. A day may come when we will also find that we could have done without the self glorified importation of the American woman!"

OLD NEWSPAPERS.

The uses of old newspapers are manifold, so they should be carefully kept. Directly anything boils over on the stove the cook should wipe it up with a pad of newspaper, for thus she will save herself much trouble in keeping the stove clean and nice. Newspaper is also excellent for window cleaning, producing a good polish.

CITY CAN'T PAY

Adverse Opinion on Labor Day Order

City Solicitor William A. Hogan has given an opinion to the city council relative to the order now pending before the city government, appropriating $469.75 for the payment of the outstanding bills contracted by the committee in Labor Day celebration.

The text of the opinion is as follows:

Office of City Solicitor,
Lowell, Mass., Dec. 14, 1904.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

I am in receipt of a joint order entitled "Joint Order Appropriating Four Hundred Sixty-nine Dollars and Seventy-five cents to Defray Expenses of Labor Day Observances," which order has been referredo to me for my opinion as to its legality. It appears that certain bills to the amount of $469.75 were contracted by a committee of the local Trades and Labor Council for the observance of Labor Day in anticipation of receiving a part or the whole of an appropriation for Labor Day made by the city council. Injunction proceedings brought to restrain the city and the city treasurer from paying out the amount of said appropriation so delayed matters that said appropriation was never available for the purposes intended.

The object of the present order is to provide a fund for the payment of said bills. The question is, whether the appropriation of $469.75 from the general treasury fund is authorized by the revised laws or by the charter of the city of Lowell?

The purposes for which cities and towns may raise money by taxation and appropriate the same are enumerated in the revised laws, chapters 25, 26 and 27. After careful and painstaking examination of the statutes, I am satisfied that the purpose of the appropriation does not come within any of the objects enumerated in the statutes for which cities have power to grant and vote money unless it can be included within "all other necessary charges arising in said city." Ch. 25, Sec. 73, R. L.

As stated in Waters v. Bonvouloir, 172 Mass. 288, "necessary charges are confined to matters in which a town or city has a duty to perform, an interest to protect or a right to defend."

The supreme court has decided that under this section an appropriation could not be made to celebrate the surrender of Cornwallis. Trush v. Adams, 10 Cush. 252, nor (before the statute) to celebrate July 4th. Hood v. Lynn, 1 Allen, 103, or to pay the members of a private fire company; Greenough v. Wakefield, 127, Mass. 1275 or to pay the expenses of a committee composed of the mayor and certain members of the board of aldermen to attend a convention of American Municipalities in another state. Waters v. Bonvouloir, ubi supra.

The object of the appropriation does not come within the provisions of the city charter. In fact, the charter expressly provides that no expenditure shall be made and no liability shall be incurred by or on behalf of the city until the city council has duly voted an appropriation sufficient to meet such expenditure or liability. St. 1896, Ch. 415, Sec. 8.

In my opinion the purpose of this appropriation it not one authorized by general law or by the city charter and is illegal.

Respectfully submitted.
WILLIAM A. HOGAN,
City Solicitor.

MINOR ORDERS

CONFERRED ON SEMINARIANS AT BRIGHTON.

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—Yesterday morning at St. John's seminary, Brighton, the following ordinations were made by the Right Rev. John Brady, D. D., titular bishop of Alabauda and auxiliary bishop of Boston, assisted by the Very Rev. Daniel E. Maher, S. S., D. D., president of St. John's Theological seminary; the Very Rev. Francis Havey, S. S., superior of Seminary of Philosophy, and the Rev. John P. Peterson, notary and master of ceremonies.

Promoted to clerical tonsure: William H. Flynn, James F. Fitzsimmons, James F. Cronin, Charles Cunningham, and Patrick J. Sullivan, all of the Boston diocese.

Ordained to minor orders: Walter J. Mitchell, John C. Fearns, John C. Buckley, James E. McCarthy, Timothy J. O'Connor, William E. Tierney of Boston, John B. de Valles of Fall River diocese.

Ordained sub-deacons: Joseph H. Casey and Timothy J. Hurley of Boston.

Ordained deacon: Dennis H. Donavan, Boston.

THE NEW LAW IN FORCE.

The new law restricting the hours of labor for women and children in mercantile establishments to fifty-eight hours in one week and not more than ten in any one day, makes it necessary in many instances, for merchants to rearrange the working hours of their employes. Shoppers are, therefore, requested to cooperate with the merchants in the enforcement of the law by making their purchases at the earliest possible hour.

All the Latest
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DIED IN COURT

Francis P. Curran Was a Leading Attorney

WAS COUNSEL IN FOSTER MURDER CASE

President of Middlesex County Democratic Club

DEDHAM, Dec. 15.—Francis P. Curran, widely known as lawyer and politician, died suddenly in the Norfolk county court-house about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

He had just finished his argument in a case before the superior court when he was seized with an attack of indigestion, which brought on an apopleptic stroke. Death ensued within a few minutes. The body was taken to Mr. Curran's home in Cambridge.

"Frank" Curran was one of the best known among the younger democratic leaders in Massachusetts. He was a man whose individuality constantly cropped up in politics, but by no means a chronic bolter.

He was born in Woburn, Aug. 31, 1862, the son of Patrick and Ellen (McCaffrey) Curran, who came from Ireland in the early 50s. He was graduated from the Woburn grammar and high schools, finishing at the latter with the class of 1880. He matriculated at Harvard, but after spending a short time

FRANCIS P. CURRAN.

there entered the Boston university law school. He stood high in his class, and was graduated with the degree L. L. B. in June, 1885.

In the meantime Mr. Curran did considerable newspaper work. He was special correspondent for the Globe while at the law school, and for two years he edited and published the Grattan Echo, a popular Woburn weekly paper. He also sold books for about 15 months, was a clerk in two of the largest dry goods stores in Boston, and did other work.

He was admitted to the Middlesex bar at once upon graduation and opened an office in Woburn. He was married while still in the law school—April 20, 1881—to Miss Ida M. Colby, one of the earliest newspaper women in Massachusetts. She was for two years editor and publisher of the Woburn City Press. They have two children living, Eileen F. and Frank.

Mr. Curran was as a young lawyer, a good speaker, energetic, ingenious and well read. His practice increased in the courts, and he achieved distinction as an advocate. In 1891 he removed his office to Boston and later became a resident of Cambridge.

In the course of his general practice he had been connected with several important criminal cases. One of these was the Duroy Foster murder case in Lowell, where he was counsel for Sullivan and Nagle. Another was the famous Maria Halloran "love potion" case at Cambridge. He defended in two trials Nora Halloran.

In public life Mr. Curran was as energetic as in his business. He was a member of the last board of selectmen Woburn had; he was for one year chairman of the board of assessors, and when the city was incorporated in 1889, he was its first city solicitor. He was also a member of the water board for three years and all these positions he filled with ability, credit and to the satisfaction of the public.

He was a member of the Knights of Columbus, was the first grand knight of the Woburn council, and for some time was a member of the state council.

In politics Mr. Curran was a democrat. When Hearst was mentioned as a candidate for the democratic presidential nomination, Mr. Curran became president of the Massachusetts Hearst association. When, however, Hearst tried to turn over his own strength to Judge Parker, Mr. Curran promptly announced that he should vote for Roosevelt.

When the Middlesex democratic club was formed, Mr. Curran was made its first president. He was immensely popular with a circle of acquaintances, wider, probably, than almost any other one man in the city of Boston.

5000 DESTITUTE

PORTO RICANS DO NOT WANT TO GO HOME.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 14—The Bulletin says that 5000 Porto Ricans whose contracts for working in the sugar plantations of Hawaii have expired, are in this city in a destitute condition. It is declared that nearly 5000 more will soon arrive from the islands. They did not find the conditions of labor in Hawaii agreeable, but none is anxious to return to Porto Rico.

FRANKLIN DEBATING SOCIETY.

A meeting of the Benjamin Franklin Debating club was held last evening, the principal business being a debate on the following question: "Resolved: That the Lodge law should be repealed."

The affirmative was upheld by Messrs. George M. Foley and John J. Coyne, the negative side being sustained by Messrs. Charles Dedham and George Kitchen.

The judges, who were Messrs. Hazen G. Pillsbury, Ernest Parsons and James F. Riley, decided that the negative side put forth the strongest arguments.

The club has challenged the Young Men's Debating society of Waltham to a public debate, and is waiting with interest for a favorable reply.

THERE IS ONE STOCKING WHICH WILL BE WELL FILLED WITH SPLENDID CHRISTMAS TOKENS.

TO SAVE MOTHER

Boy Shot and Killed His Father

PORT JERVIS, N. Y., Dec. 15.—To save his mother, brothers and sisters from the attacks of his father, John Harder, 17 years old, of Cherry Ridge, near White Mills, Penn., sent two charges of buckshot into his parent's body, killing him instantly, last evening.

Charles Harder was the father of 12 children. Last evening he came home quarrelsome and started to put into execution threats he had previously made to kill all hands. He was armed with a carving knife and an ordinary pocket knife, which it is said he had recently sharpened for the occasion.

The terror stricken wife and children ran in all directions to escape him. Some hid about the house and the mother and other children sought refuge in the barn. The infuriated man started for the latter place, and so fearful was John that his father would kill them that he appeared at the door with a double-barreled shotgun and sent one charge into his father's back.

The man turned around and faced his son, receiving a second charge in his right side. He fell to the ground dead.

Later the boy gave himself up, but was permitted to return home. Public sympathy is with the family.

MRS. FAIRBANKS

GUEST OF HONOR AT CONTINENTAL BAZAAR.

BOSTON, Dec. 15—Mrs. Cornelia Cole Fairbanks, wife of Vice President-elect Charles W. Fairbanks, and president general of the Daughters of the American Revolution, was the guest of honor last night at the Continental bazaar that is being held in Copley hall under the auspices of the Massachusetts chapter. Mrs. Fairbanks spoke interestingly of the continental memorial hall which the D. A. R. societies are erecting in Washington.

Among those present were Mrs. James A. Mellen of Pennsylvania, vice president general of the national society, and Mrs. Donald McLean, state regent of New York.

COMPLAINT MADE

DELAY IN RE-ARMING BRITISH ARTILLERY.

LONDON, Dec. 15—The Times today prints a special article in which complaint is made that there has been unpardonable delay in re-arming the artillery. The article declares that with the exception of 18 batteries of quick fire guns hurriedly bought in Germany during the Boer war, the British army has no guns that would seriously count. In a modern war, Great Britain's artillery would be hopelessly outclassed alike in range, accuracy and rapidity of fire, and would be knocked to pieces before it could inflict any serious damage upon the enemy. Owing to the reluctance of the treasury to find money and to other red tape delays, nine months have been wasted since War Secretary Broderick's committee last March decided on models for new guns, and it certainly will be two years before the army is properly provided.

RECEIVED BY POPE.

ROME, Dec. 15—The Brooklyn pilgrimage left Rome for Naples yesterday, and will be rejoined there by the Right Rev. Charles E. McDonnell, Bishop of Brooklyn, N. Y., and the Right Rev. Charles H. Colton, Bishop of Buffalo, N. Y.

Rev. Francis Koch, rector of the Church of St. Francis of Assisi, in Thirty-first street, near Sixth avenue, New York, was received in audience yesterday by the pope, who sent his special blessing to St. Francis's Church for the early morning mass celebrated for the printers and others who work through the night.

Genuine Chinaware, Oriental Bazaar.

HUGE SNOW PLOW

PASSED THROUGH LOWELL THIS MORNING.

One of the largest nose snow plows designed to operate on electric roads in New England, and as large as any similar plow in the United States, passed through Merrimack square this morning at 12.30 o'clock. It was on its way from Worcester to Newburyport.

The plow, which has recently been purchased by the Citizens' Street Railway company of Newburyport from the Boston & Worcester street railway, was built by Woss & Co., of Springfield last year. It is 41 feet long and has nose plows on both ends 10 feet long and 5 feet 6 inches in height. The inside of the plow is fitted up with every modern appliance. The noses are operated by air pressure. Four powerful motors may be used at one time, and a large-sized coal stove furnishes heat.

The plow left Worcester yesterday morning at 8 o'clock in charge of Conductor H. W. McKay, ex-superintendent of the Haverhill division of the Boston & Northern street railway, and Motorman T. R. Mudget of the Boston & Worcester company. They were accompanied by Motorman Albert Dyke of the Citizens' street railway and Motorman N. L. Carson of the Haverhill division of the Boston & Northern street railway, as pilots.

When the crew in charge of the plow left Lowell shortly after midnight, they expected to arrive at their destination by 4 o'clock this morning.

DROP OF 20 DEGREES.

LAKEVILLE, Conn., Dec. 15.—With a fall of 20 degrees in 12 hours the mercury at 6 o'clock this morning stood at 18 degrees below zero in this village. In Salisbury a reading of 20 degrees below was reported. It was the coldest morning of the winter thus far in the Litchfield hill.

FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR
stops the cough and heals lungs

DROPPED $68,000

Men Fleeced in a Gambling House

NEW YORK, Dec. 15—According to a story given out here late last night, Police Inspector McClusky, chief of the New York detective bureau has received a report that two men, one from Cleveland and the other from Chicago, both wealthy, lost $68,000 a few nights ago in a New York gambling house. Of this amount $14,000 which had been given in checks, was recovered but $21,000 the cash losses, were not refunded.

The story says the men were introduced into the house by a person representing himself as an old school friend of the Cleveland man. The day after the play the two men became convinced that they had been victimized and the detective at their hotel and a central office man were notified and recovered $14,000 in checks. The names of the men have been withheld.

Holiday gifts, Oriental Bazaar.

BOSTON DOCTOR APPOINTED.

BOSTON, Dec. 15—It was stated last night that Dr. Thomas A. Debiois, of Boston, had been tendered the position of aide-de-camp on the staff of Governor-elect Douglas.

Goods at low prices, Oriental Bazaar.

HE DECLINES

LIEUT. COLONEL PRIEST WANTED HIGHER RANK.

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—Lieutenant Colonel George H. Priest of Fitchburg, who was appointed as an assistant inspector general with the rank of lieutenant colonel on Governor-elect Douglas' staff, has declined the honor.

It is understood that Lieutenant Colonel Priest, when the matter was first broached to him, authorized some of his friends to inform Governor-elect Douglas that he would accept a place on the staff provided that the appointment would give him a higher rank in the service than he now holds. In their enthusiasm his friends failed to inform the governor-elect and his advisers of this proviso, and the appointment was made and announced.

MISSIONARY TEA.

The Women's Missionary society of the Highland Congregational church enjoyed an exceedingly pleasant meeting at the home of the new president, Mrs. J. B. Field on Westford street yesterday afternoon.

The thrilling story of the rise of the Japanese empire was given by Mrs. Thompson and the Misses Thompson, Forsythe and Jones, with pictures of Japanese architecture and customs. A chapter of "Lux Christus" was presented in an interesting manner by Miss L. A. Wallingford. Mrs. Robert Neil sang a lullaby song very effectively. Mrs. Clayton Welles gave a vivid report of the Providence meeting of the Women's board which she attended as a delegate. The program was concluded with a social hour at which the hostess was assisted by three little girls.

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Best Smoked Bacon....12c a lb.
Best Hams .....11c a lb.
Best Smoked Shoulders..8c a lb.
Fresh Shoulders.....9c a lb.
Best Round Steak..2 lbs. for 25c
Best Rump and Sirloin Steak, 15c a lb.
Best Corned Beef...5c to 7c lb.
Best Legs Veal.....10c a lb.

Best Short cut Legs Lamb, 10c a lb.
Best Cape Cod Cranberries, 5c a qt.
Best Bread Flour, 85c bag; $6.75 bbl.
Best Butterine...10c to 15c a lb.
Best Creamery Butter, 5 lb. boxes 1.50
Best Green Mountain Potatoes, 18c pk.; 70c bush.
6 lbs. of Large Prunes.....25c
20 lb. pail Compound Lard, $1.40
Fresh Eggs.....25c doz.

CANNED GOODS A SPECIALTY

Best Maine Corn 3 for 25c
Best Red Salmon 2 for 25c
Best Peaches 2 for 25c
Best Peas 3 for 25c
Best Pears 3 for 25c

Challenge Milk 3 for 25c
Good Mince Meat 7c pkg., 4 pkgs. for 25c
Pink Salmon 3 cans 25c
3 cans Clams 25c

LEGAL STAMPS.

Special on Corned Beef—3 for 1 any kind of Stamps on 6c and 7c Corned Beef.

THESE ARE GOOD DAYS TO BUY THAT APRON; A PAIR OF TOWELS; A PERCALE DRESS; A DOZEN SPOONS; A SHAWL OR MUFF; A SUIT OF UNDERWEAR. YOU CAN CHECK OFF MOST OF YOUR LIST BY COMING TODAY.

THERE NEVER WAS SUCH CHRISTMAS WEATHER AND NEVER DID WE HAVE SUCH A CHRISTMAS STORE TO OFFER YOU. THE EARLY SHOPPERS HAVE FOUND US MORE CONVENIENT AND COMFORTABLE THAN EVER. MORE PROFITABLE, TOO.

Buy Your Christmas Gloves in the Next Three Days

1400 $1.25 Gloves at 98 Cents a Pair

Our dollar and a quarter Gloves were purchased as being the very best value we could buy to sell at that price. No better Gloves are shown at that price.

To obviate the usual crowding of the last few days we have made this unusual offer. All Our $1.25 Gloves at 98c a Pair. And we'll give you a pretty Glove Box for the asking. This offer is good only today, tomorrow and Saturday.

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Remember Our Holiday Departments, The Book Store, The Doll Land and the Toy Shop

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TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON

SOUTHERN DIV.
From Merrimack St.

5.43, 6.29, 6.45, 7.40, 8.50, 9.22, 11.00 a. m.; 1.40, 4.25, 5.44 p. m.

Sundays, 8 45 a. m.

From Middlesex St.

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
5.46	6.50	6.00	7.04
6 28	7.40	6.30	7.20
6.39	7.36	7.54	8.54
6.49	7.53	8.25	9.01
7 01	8.02	9.00	9.37
7.24	8.10	10.00	10.37
7.31	8.00	10.17	11.34
7.48	8.35	11.30	12.07
7.52	10.05	12.00	12.56
8.57	9.40	1.00	1.37
9.53	10.19	2.00	3.01
11.05	12.00	3.00	3.37
11.43	12.24	3.47	5.00
12.14	1.00	4.14	5.20
1.44	2.50	5.00	6.57
1.56	2.39	5.38	6.21
3.47	4.30	5.47	6.51
4.28	5.30	6.14	7.29
5.22	6.15	7.30	8.08
6.49	7.00	8.30	9.05
6.22	6.55	10 30	11.34
7.29	8.10	11.20	12.21

WESTERN DIV.
From Middlesex St.

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
6.50	7.55	7.30	8.34
8.00	8.54	9.25	10.31
9.25	10.33	10.45	11.40
10.50	12.00	11.60	1.05
12.05	1.26	2.15	3.20
12.50	2.00	3.36	4.50
2.30	3.35	4.19	5.49
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3.55	5.00	6.55	7.45
5.08	6.46	9.40	10.35
6.15	7.10	*11.15	12.13
7.00	8.00		
*8.30	10.26		

* Runs to Lowell Wednesdays and Saturdays only.

SUNDAY TRAINS
WESTERN DIVISION

8.15	9.25	8.00	9 1
12.10	1.20	12 00	1.00
3.53	4.50	4.05	6.25
5.32	6.63		
8.03	9.60		

SOUTHERN DIVISION

6.39	7.30	9.00	10 00
7.24	8.10		
8.18	9.49	11.30	12.07
9.20	10.15	1.00	1.37
2.25	3.27	5.00	5.59
5.29	6.30	7.35	8.08
6.22	7.05	8.30	9 08
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LOCAL NEWS

Spencer Signs. Telephone.

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Hire your hacks at O'Donnell's stables. Tel. 439-4.

When you have any real estate to sell, consult J. F. Donohoe. Donovan Bldg. Telephone.

New Xmas goods. Oriental Bazaar.

COMMITTED SUICIDE.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Dec. 15—George Lattinger, sr., 67 years old, committed suicide in the cellar of his home yesterday by placing a charge of powder in his mouth and igniting it. The top of his head was blown off by the explosion. Lattinger had been suffering from a cancer under his tongue and said he could not bear the pain any longer.

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UNITARIAN CHURCH

SUPPER HELD BY THE UNITARIAN SOCIETY IN THE VESTRY.

A delicious supper was served at the First Unitarian church vestry last night under the auspices of the First Unitarian society. Preceding the supper a Christmas sale was held, the various tables doing a good business.

At eight o'clock, an amusing skit entitled "The Old Maids' Convention" was held, the cast being as follows:

President, Miss Fannie Mansur.
Treasurer, Miss Nesmith.
Secretary, Miss Helen Coburn.
Professor, Hapgood Fay.

Misses Julia Stevens, Ruth Coburn, Louie Ellingwood, Mrs. Geo. Chandler, Mrs. Winslow Clark, Mrs. John Crawford, Misses Ethel Gray, Ethel Baker, Helen Powers, Anna Fels, Leslie Adams, May Wilder, Ada Chalifoux, Annie Baker, Mrs. Chris. Holmes, Mrs. Otis Allen, Miss Grace Hylan.

Mrs. J. N. Greig sang, and other specialties were introduced by Misses Margaret Elliott and Pauline Cummings, Harriet Spaulding and Hazel Chamberlain.

Mrs. A. C. Moore was general manager.

At the sale, Mrs. W. E. Bartlett, general manager, was assisted by the following ladies in charge of the various tables:

Cake, Mrs. George Bowers, Mrs. H. D. Bradt, Miss F. N. Robinson.

Domestic, Mrs. E. H. Scribner, Mrs. J. P. Manning, Mrs. Dana Bartlett.

Candy, Misses Ruth Carter, Fanny Sawyer, Sophie Bicknell.

Fancy articles, Mrs. George B. Chandler, and the members of the Burgoyne Ten, of Lend-a-Hand club.

COMEDY PROGRAM AT CASTO.

All roads lead to the Casto this week for the present program. It is one that appeals to all. It is headed by Frederick Road and company in the screamingly funny comedy "My Awful Dad," which is one of the brightest and wittiest comedies that it has been the fortune of Manager Haynes to present to the local public. The remainder of the programme is composed of star comedy acts. Reserved seats can be ordered by telephone 815-3.

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A Showing of Christmas Novelties That Will Delight All Lovers of Fine Neckwear, at

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Here's a showing of Women's Fine Neckwear that is a credit to Lowell.

It is gathered specially for Christmas—including many exclusive pieces too expensive for regular buying.

Every women loves fine neckwear—she can't have too much—so a gift of neckwear is sure to be in good taste and highly appreciated.

Half of our big window and a big part of our spacious Women's Department is devoted to the showing of neckwear.

It's worth your consideration — neat single boxes with each neckwear purchase.

Top Collars

English Trelawney Collars in a variety of neat effects.............. 25c
Hand-worked Top Collars, "Kersey brand" 25c
Hardanger Top Collars, new patterns 50c

Stocks

A very large and effective assortment of Stocks in silk and wash fabrics 25c
Keiser Linen Stocks, new patterns 50c
Hand-made, beaded and ruching trimmed Stocks $1.00
Jabot Stock with neat finish of pastel velvet $1.50
Silk Jabots of better quality..............$2.00 and up to $3.00

Collar and Cuff Sets

Collar and Cuff Sets of embroidery and lace effects..............25c
Handsomest line of Collar and Cuff Sets shown in the city at...... 50c
Hand-embroidered Collar and Cuff Sets, Keiser brand...$1.00 and $1.50
New Hemstitched and Embroidered Sets with deep painted cuff....50c

Hosiery Special

Neat Christmas Boxes containing one, two and three pairs of Women's Hosiery at ....50c, 75c and $1.00
Will box them in half dozen pairs at customer's request.

The Merrimack Clothing Co. Across From City Hall

MISS EMMA HOLT

Read Interesting Paper on Geography of Lowell

AT MEETING OF HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Paper That All the Young People Should Read

The regular quarterly meeting of the Lowell Historical society was held last evening in Memorial hall. In the absence of the president, S. W. Stevens, Judge Hadley presided and Charles H. Conant was elected secretary pro tem in the absence of the secretary, Horace S. Bacon. The records of the last meeting were read and approved and the treasurer said there are $273 in the treasury at the present time.

Reporting for the executive committee J. A. Bailey stated that a closet for the books of the society had been built on the top floor of the Memorial building. The society's membership was increased by one. The name of A. H. Slater was sent in and approved by the executive committee.

A few weeks ago Miss Emma G. Holt of West Chelmsford made a heroic attempt to rescue one of her pupils from drowning in the icy waters of Nabnasset pond, and last night Miss Hilt read a very interesting paper on "The Geography of Lowell as the Basis of its Historical Life." The paper:

No branch of knowledge is independent. This connection is especially close in geography and history, so close that geography and history often have a casual relation. This principle, which is generally accepted is well expressed by a German writer who says, in substance, that geography is the basis of history, while history is nothing but geography in motion. We cannot study one and despise the other. Science, commerce, politics, law, medicine and fine arts are the outcome of the mutual relation between geography and history.

To the scientist, the Merrimack river has a deep and interesting story to tell. Its course is southerly, like all other rivers of the Atlantic slope, until it reaches Tyngsborough, where an abrupt turn is made to the northwest. This unexpected course has placed the mouth of the river at Newburyport instead of at its natural outlet to the ocean, which would be, doubtless, at Lynn.

Because of this fact scientists have investigated the conditions and the real result of this study is the revelation of the river's geographic history.

The cause of this strange condition goes back to the time of the glacial period, when all New England and much of the northern part of our country was covered with a deep layer of ice.

If we think of the appearance of the river valley just after the ice had receded, we picture it as long lowlands and intervales partially filled with soil and rock which had been deposited by the ice sheet as it advanced and retreated over the land.

Yet the river channel was traceable as far down as Tyngsboro. Here a large mass of debris stretched across its course, forming a complete blockade. As the ice melted the stream was renewed and its swiftly flowing waters from the mountain slopes rushed down the old channel. Thus on its journey the river was stopped at Tyngsboro by these great barriers of soil cutting off all access to the sea along the original waterway. But the force of the water was great enough to cut a new channel. Gradually a new river valley extending in a northerly direction was made. A ledge of rock lay in the river bed; over this the water plunged, thus forming Pawtucket falls.

There are many evidences of the glacial period today in our vicinity. Large boulders, some of which weigh a ton, are scattered along the Mammoth road and Stevens street. The rock behind the Highland church on Westford street, bears glacial scratches and it is interesting to note that a recent effort has been made to incorporate this gashed rock within a proposed park.

Another boulder, near the entrance to Fort Hill park, is marked with glacial scratches. Kettle holes near Stedman street and great deposits of soil or drumlines, of which Fort Hill is a striking example, are also proofs of the great changes in physical conditions due to the glacier.

The river subsequently carried with it much sediment and as its load became too great, a deposit was left along either bank. This deposit formed a large flood plain built of fine grained boulder clay which was brought from the hillsides of the north. Thus we may say that the Merrimack Valley is a gift from the river itself and to the river it owes all its history.

But the Indians were not destined to be the only reapers of this fertile valley. The fame of its cornfields and of its swarming waters attracted the Puritan colonists, who had already pushed on to Concord from Boston and who were in need of pasturage and food. Thus it was the Indians retreated northward before the new possessors of the land.

Thus, the first condition of progress was secured for these early settlers by the abundance of food which the locality furnished.

The essayist then sketched the beginning of the city of Lowell.

From the very birth of the city the influence of geographical environment has been apparent. Again we may repeat the valley and its city is a gift from the river itself.

A. P. Savage, Esq., read a paper he had prepared concerning the physical features of Lowell and the adjacent territory.

Mr. J. Frank Bancroft of Tyngsboro read a paper upon "The Boundary line of Old Dunstable."

Charles Cowley, Esq., said a few words in which he stated that the Merrimack river made Lowell and was responsible for all the manufacturing cities above and below Lowell.

The latter moved that a vote of thanks be extended to the speakers of the evening for their excellent and instructive papers, and the motion was passed.

HELD UP A BANK.

HIBBING, Minn., Dec. 15. A lone highwayman held up the bank of Chisholm yesterday and secured $500. He forced Cashier Greiser into the vault at the muzzle of a revolver and locked the door. The robber escaped.

Oriental Bazaar, 200 Merrimack st.

OLIE VAUGHN

WILL BE GIVEN HEARING ON PETITION FOR PARDON.

Next Wednesday morning the pardon committee will give a hearing, at the state house, on the petition for the pardon of Olie Vaughn on the ground of innocense. Olie Vaughn and his brother Robert are serving life sentences for assault on Officer Healey of the Lowell police department with intent to kill.

This is the time to buy coal. See Fred H. Rourke, 984 Gorham street.

MATRIMONIAL

Miss Hattie Perron, of this city, and Mr. Frederic Leck of Boston, were united in marriage last night at 6.30 o'clock at the residence of the bride's parents, 5 Hamel place, off Ludlam street. The marriage ceremony was performed by Rev. Smith T. Ford, pastor of the First Baptist church.

The bride wore white silk mull with lace trimmings and carried bride roses. She was given away by her father. There were two bridesmaids, Miss Louise Perron, a sister of the bride, and Miss Barbara Gillespie, of Pawtucket, R. I. Both wore dainty gowns of white Swiss muslin trimmed with Valenciennes lace, and carried carnations. The best man was Mr. W. E. Oliver of Boston, secretary of the Boston Y. M. C. A. As the bridal party entered the drawing room the Lohengrin wedding march was played on the piano by Mr. Samuel Perron, a brother of the bride.

After the ceremony a reception to a large number of friends took place from 7 till 9, Mr. and Mrs. Leck were assisted in receiving by Mrs. Francis Perron, Mrs. Arthur Lane of Boston, Miss Margaret Ware of Boston, and Miss Pearl Northrop. In the dining room a dainty collation was served.

After the reception Mr. and Mrs. Leck left on a wedding trip to New York, on their return from which they will reside at 42 Union Park, Boston.

RULE—GREGG.

A pretty home wedding took place last evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Gregg, 224 First street, when their daughter, Catherine, was united in marriage to Mr. Alexander Rule by Rev. Orville Coats. The ceremony was performed under an arch of evergreen and the bridal party entered the room to the strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march, played by Mrs. Bessie Leggett. The bride, gowned in white silk with overlace and chiffon trimming and carrying bride's roses, entered leaning on her father's arm. They were preceded by the bridemaid, Miss Ina Gregg, wearing white muslin over pink and carrying pink roses, and the best man, Mr. W. Farrell.

Special sale of Brass Five-o'clock Tea Kettles, $1.49. These are the regular $2.00 Kettles. The Thompson Hardware Co.

BILLERICA

A son of Mr. George Dale was badly scalded Monday by the overturning of a pot of hot water. A physician was called and the little fellow is now resting comfortably.

Postmaster T. F. Lyons is confined to his home on account of illness. A social party will be held Friday night in Smith's hall by the class of 1905 of the Howe high school.

The Weymesit club met with Miss Cora King Tuesday night. The subject for discussion was "Whittier." Miss Cora King read a sketch of the poet's life, and Rev. J. H. Dale read a selection from "Maud Muller." All the members present answered to the roll-call with quotations from Whittier.

This is the time to buy coal. See Fred H. Rourke, 984 Gorham street.

HIGHLAND "RING A PEG" CLUB.

The young members of the H. R. A. P. club assembled for their first meeting at the residence of Mrs. M. L. Pardoe, 11 Marlborough street, on the evening of Dec. 13. Master Wallace Pardoe carried off the first prize by but a small majority over Miss Dorothy Harris, to whom was awarded the second.

The charter members consist of Miss Gladys Pardoe, Miss Minna Strauss, Miss Dorothy Harris, Master Wallace Pardoe, Master Harold Noyes and Master Moses Strauss.

After an hour of genuine pleasure the young people departed for their homes, joyous in mind and happy in heart.

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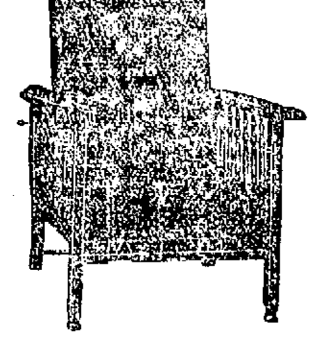

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Christmas hints a plenty here.

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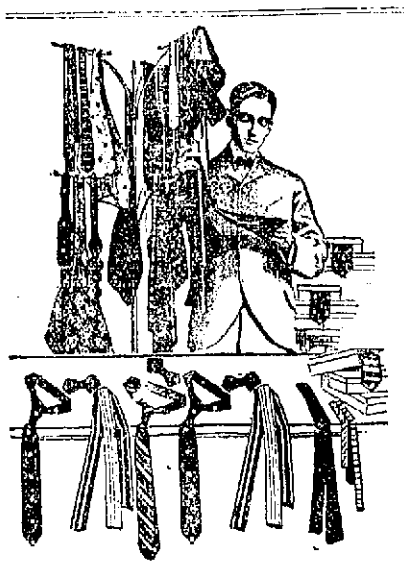


NECKWEAR—This line was selected weeks ago from the best makers in Boston, New York and Philadelphia. **Four-in-Hands, Tecks, Puffs, Bows, Strings and Ascots.** Some in handsome single boxes, light and dark colorings, grays, browns and all the newest shades, **25c, 50c, 75c, $1**

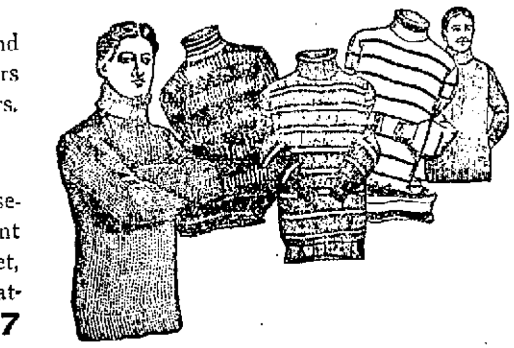
SUSPENDERS—This line is very desirable, one pair in a box, fancy silk webbings and newest buckles, all with white Kid ends, **25c, 50c, 75c, $1, $1.50, $2, $2.50**

HANDKERCHIEFS—All grades with or without initial **5c to 50c each**

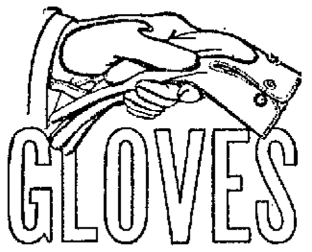
MUFFLERS—White and black silk; also cashmere and the new style that can be used as a full dress protector. Prices **25c to $3**

Special Lot of Way's Mufflers to snap around the neck. 50c and 75c qualities at **25c each**

SWEATERS—Men's and Boys' Sweaters roll collar or button front, all colors. Prices **45c to $5 each**



BATH ROBES—This useful garment makes a most desirable gift. Domet, Eiderdown and all wool, elegant patterns. Prices **$3.50, $5, $7**



GLOVES—Everybody uses gloves and everybody can get suited here for our stock is the largest in the city—wool, leather, kid, mocha, fur and fur lined. Prices **15c to $5** a pair.

Underwear, Hosiery, Cardigans, Men's Jewelry, Umbrellas, Wristers, Ear Muffs and in fact everything in Furnishings that men and boys wear

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